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M1-E

Obverse:

1 #3

2 #4

3 #2

4 #1

FLAW:

OBV.: 1 #4 REV.: #1

2 #3 #4

3 #2 #2

4 #1 #3

Reverse:

1 #1

2. #4

3 #3

4 #2

Total

#1 3 15 14

#2 6 16

#3 3 11

#4 9

9

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MAX # 29

MIN # 5

GENERAL APPEAL:

1 #3

2 #4

3 #2

4 #1

FINAL RANKING:

#1 = 4 (9)

~~2 = 3 (11) OK~~

~~3 = 1 (14)~~

~~4 = 2 (16)~~

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CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: XF-40 DATE: 1785 #3

REV: ~~F-15~~ Miller No.: 1-E

TYPE/NICKNAME: _____ Rarity: (Rm4) (HiR6 EAC)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 1@150 M. Plate No.: -

MINT: Unlocated Private Die Cutter(s): _____

~~Mint~~ _____

Diameter: 28.4 mm Thickness: 1.60 mm

Weight: 9.8 Grams; 125.0 Grains

*MINERAL INCLUSION FLAWS PROBABLY REDUCE WT.?

EX: C. W. Brown, Shreveport, LA, Mail Bid Sale, 1-7-83

FOR UPDATED METROLOGY SEE PAGE 2

Lot No.: _____ Grade _____ Date Acq. 1-7-83

Ser. No. U.S. 4452 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a glossy, chestnut brown plan. Sharp, bold strike, especially the bust, only final "C" of "CONNEC" is a trifle light. Some very fine granularity in fields. No important plan. defects except a scattering of mostly tiny natural pits in central head which are mostly well concealed in hair. Coin shows very little, if any, wear or circulation evidence. There is a die break from left shoulder in a fine double, straight line between last period and final "C" of "CONNEC" which is not evident in either of other 2 spec. in G.C.P. collection and not noted in Miller. Possibly, evident in Turoff, 514 but not in any of the other plated specimens, at least from plates: W. BROWN (EAC CATL. 1) note, "--STRUCK ON A CAST BLANK. TEXTURE OF THIS PIECE BEARS THIS OUT. BREAK IS SEEN IN BY M. SACCONE COLL. SALE 11-6-89 L. 544

~~A very slight mich clip at 7:00, or so.~~

* AS SEEN IN MOST PLATED EXAMPLES KNOWN TO ME.

REVERSE: Similar color, struck off center toward 7:00, or so.* Tops of letters of "INDE" right on or just off the plan. upper portions of numerals of date just barely visible, otherwise is comparable to better plated examples. Pitting in lower center of figure and across branch arm to right side of branch. Finely granular in fields, while reverse is not as strong as the obverse, on balance, this is best of specimens now known to me. See G.C.P. Conn. notes for condition census (tentative). THIS REVERSE WAS STRUCK FROM A VERY SHALLOW, ILL-DEFINED DIE, GIVING MOST (NOT ALL) EXAMPLES SEEN A WORN APPEARANCE, I ASSUME. HOWEVER, THAT THIS COIN'S ACTUAL DEGREE OF WEAR CAN BEST BE JUDGED FROM THAT OF THE OBV., SHOWING VERY LITTLE.

Metrology taken as at: 1 / 18 / 1992 :

DIAM: Vert.: 28.51, Horiz. 28.55. THICKNESS, 1.50 mm

WEIGHT: 7.95 Grams, 122.69 Grains. DIE ROT.: NONE

BOOK#1

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400.+
TOTAL— 13347.*

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-30 to XF DATE: 1785

REV: VF-30 to XF Miller No.: 1-E

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: (R4) (R6 Hi)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 1@$150. M. Plate No.: None

MINT: Unlocated private mint Die Cutter(s):

Diameter: 28.63 mm Thickness: 1.60 mm

Weight: 9.80 Grams; 151.24 Grains

EX: C. & D. Gale

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 5-23-85

Ser. No. US 21350 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered on a perfect flan which is almost unheard of for an '85 M 1-E. Even, dark brown, with no real signs of actual wear. Possibly, there is a slight amount of wear or "cabinet friction" at the top of the right shoulder mail. The leaves of the wreath are a trifle flat but I feel that this is "as made". Breen in the '75 EAC Sale Catalogue (Lot 1) surmises " probably struck on a cast blank". Most examples seen exhibit many signs of casting. However, the present example shows almost no sign of this. All detail is strong and sharp, with many details of XF

strength.

REVERSE: Similar. ~~Somewhat flatly struck~~. Little sign of actual wear. Full sharp date. E of INDE is very lightly struck (as in all seen) as is next group of dots, otherwise all detail is preser and quite strong. Again, incredibly, no fl an defects whatsoever.

Condition census. Probably one of finest known.

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C & D GALE 1285
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C & D GALE MINE

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-30 DATE: 1785

REV: VF-20 Miller No.: 2-~~a~~1 #2

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: (R^3) ~~R-4~~ JR? (R^3)*

CAC'75 L.No. 2@ $130. M.Pl.No.: ~~I, No.~~ 1

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers, (New Haven I, Westville ?)

Die Cutter(s): A. BUel for S. Bishop, et al

Diameter: 29.0 ✓ 29.31 mm Thickness: 1.70 ✓ mm

Weight: 8.~~55~~ 40 ✓ Grams; 129.63 ~~131.45~~ ✓ Grains

* Rarity should be R^5 (Sheldon- M. +2) or R^6 rec'd 3.22.91

EX: P.BOISVERT, Mayflower Coin & Stamp Co, February. 1986 List.

Lot No.: Grade VF Date Acq. 2-18-86

Ser. No. US 21255 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: V. well centered strike on a characteristically dark brown to black flan, with a few lightbtan highlights. No important flan problems. However, fields are a bit granular, and there are a few fine pit-like evidences of a rusted die in right shoulder, neck and cheek, otherwise pleasing. A quite strong strike, with all details well struck up, including wreath, hair, legend, etc.

REVERSE: Well centered and struck, the flan, if anything smoother than the obv. and somewhat sharper in the legend, full date, dateline etc. but with usual weakness vertically through center of figure where there are some flan

roller marks to be seen, under a glass, but not detracting. This central rev. weakness was caused by the extremely high relief of the head which left insufficient metal for the rev. figure, causing Buel to design different hubs used on later varieties of this design, (ref. W. Breen, E.A.C. Sale Cat., L. 2).

Of only three examples plated in G.C.P. survey to date, present ex. appears to place as follows:

EAC L. 2 (ex. NERCG, Bi-cent Publick, 7-23-76, L.2).

Stack's, MHS Sale, 10-23-70, L.114 (later, Roper, 12-8-73, L.225).

G.C.P. Spec.

Miller, Plate I spec.

There are three other VF's, unplated, in survey, but without plates it is impossible to determine their Condition Census ranking.

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Coll #2

CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1785

MILLER NO.: 2 - A.4

GRADE: OBVERSE: F - 12

REVERSE: AG to AVF-20

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR RARITY: R-5

EAC '75 LOT No. 3 VG to F M. PL. No.I,#1(2-A.1

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers - New Haven I

Die Cutters: A. Buel

DIAM: Horiz.: 29.69 Vert: 28.85 Thickness: 1.65 mm

WT.: 7.85 Grams: 121.41 Grains: CCW Die Rot.: 5 °

EX.: Joe Piervencinti, '93 ANA, Baltimore

Lot No.: Cat. Grade: Date Acq.: 7/30/93

GCP Ser. No. US 42F608 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Well centered strike on a smooth-appearing, though somewhat porous flan (as on about all seen) with no defects. Dark to light brown with coppery overtones in head of the bust. Legend complete and fairly strong for the grade. Bust strongly outlined but wreath and hair detail rather soft. About equal/to EAC:3 although it has a bit more detail in the wreath.

o.a.

REVERSE: Well centered strike; similar flan characteristics. Smooth & glossy; INDE, date, dateline at or approaching VF strength, as is left side of Ms. Lib.'s figure; right side of figure rather amorphous; ET L can be made out but barely, IB: stronger. Really, overall, only a hair below the EAC:3 coin. W. Breen, in EAC Cat. notes that "The weakness in the right central rev. (including ET L) is as made, showing identically on the Hoch Plate coin."

A probable Condition Census specimen. ~~Fifth~~ SIXTH ! in GCP's Tentative Census.

CONNECTICUT

GLL #1

GRADE: OBV: VF-30 530 DATE: 1785

REV: VF-30 530 Miller No.: 3^1-A^3

TYPE/NICKNAME: Bust Rarity: (Rm^3) ($Reac^3$)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 4 M. Plate No.: I, No. 2 (3^1-I)

MINT: "Company for Coining Coppers" Die Cutter(s): Abel Buel

Diameter: 28.3 28.53 mm Thickness: 1.604 mm

Weight: ~~9.03~~ 8.97 Grams; ~~140.43~~ ~~138.89~~ ~~139.35~~ 138.43 Grains

EX: Mike Ringo

⊗ MOST DES. DET. VF-30 OR BETTER, SOME APPROACHING XF; ONLY CONNEC. BEING A TRIFLE LIGHT

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 1/4/84

Ser. No. U.S.91455 Value: as of

Source of Value:

* SOME REDDISH PATINA IN "T LIB" AND FIELD BELOW,

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike; nice light brown color* and fairly smooth planchet with sundry small defects not detracting appreciably from a generally pleasing appearance. ⊕ More noticeable flaws: edge defect above "EC", FINE planchet crack above "CT" and series of tiny striae above wreath and "C" of "CONNEC", plus numerous tiny natural planchet flaws scattered over surface of coin, REALLY DETRACTING.

REVERSE: Similar but no prominent defects, FULL-date, "5" SOMEWHAT LIGHT; small natural planchet pit in final colon and another over "ND" not detracting. "ET LIB" a trifle light. On the whole, nearly a duplicate of the EAC specimen or COMPARE the VF example, Lot No. 115, in Stack's MHS sale, 10.23.24.70. Obv. is about equal. Rev. on present coin perhaps somewhat stronger with "ET LIB" and date considerably more struck-up. Lot 517 in Julius Turoff Sale (B&R 10.1-2.76) desc. as "A superb EF-AU specimen." is extraordinary, although date mostly off the flan. Not in Kessler-Spangenberg or B&R, "R.C.R." #15

(Aug. Sept. '72) had 4 specimens abt. good to XF @ $129. (not plated)

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CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1785

MILLER NO.: 3.1-F.3

GRADE: OBVERSE: O.A. VF-30, some det.XF-40

REVERSE: Same

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR RARITY: JR: R-7

EAC '75 LOT No. 5 M. PL. No. None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers-N. Haven I

Die Cutters: A. Buel

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.61 Vert: 28.63 Thickness: 1.87 mm

WT.: 9.19 Grams: 141.82 Grains: right Die Rot.: 20 °

EX.: Colonial Trading Co., Inc.

Lot No.: Cat. Grade: Date Acq.: Jan.95

GCP Ser.No US9240V08 Val.$, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Struck a bit toward 6:00 so that forward edge of mail is right on edge of flan, on a nice chestnut brown flan with a minimum of the flan defects so prevelant in this variety. Many details are at XF-40 sharpness, incl.: wreath, face of figure, ORI and CONNEC. AUCT not struck-up. Edge defect (minor) opposite second colon. Mail lightly struck or, possibly, showing minor wear .

REVERSE: Struck somewhat toward 8:00, or so, so that INDE is just on or slightly off the flan. ND of INDE can only just be made out (opposite missing AUCT on obverse). All other

design elements of VF 30 to XF-40 sharpness. A flan crack extends from edge at about 4:00, through ETLIB and meets a flaw above the liberty cap showing some apparent delamination there. Full, sharp date, date-linr, globe lines, and three grape vines. The finest known to me of this rare variety.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-30 DATE: 1785

REV: VF-30 Miller No.: 3-L

TYPE/NICKNAME: Rarity: (R4) (R4)

C '75 Lot No.: 6@$140 M. Plate No.: L, NO.2

MINT: Company for Coining Die Cutter(s): Buel

Coppers, New HAvenI (Westville)

Diameter: 28.6 mm Thickness: 1.90 mm

Weight: 9.79 Grams; 151.08 Grains

EX: David bland Jr. Galleries, Inc.

Lot No.: Grade VF Date Acq. 4-10-85

Ser. No. U.S.21109 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike, on a medium to light brown, somewhat granular flan but , nevertheless, possibly with the fewest flan problems of any plated examples known to me. Nearly all detail is of at least VF strength, the right side being only a trifle weaker than the left side, but everything, especially the wreath, is boldly struck up.

REVERSE: Bold, strong strike, a bit toward 6:00, or so, so that "1" and "5" of date are about half off the flan, as are the bottoms of "78", still, a fairly good date, and superior to the

Miller plate coin which shows very little of the date. Everything else boldly struck up in a light tan cameo effect against a dark brown, uniformly, finely granular field with none of the striae and other flan problems for which this die variety is noted. Undoubtedly, condition census and possibly one of the finest known. See tentative Condition Census next page.

(rewrite) CONNECTICUT Gill

GRADE: OBV: EF-40 DATE: 1785

REV: EF-40 Miller No.: 3^2-L #2

TYPE/NICKNAME: _____ Rarity: (Rm^3) ($Reac^3$)* TR. R4

*PROBABLY TOO LOW

EAC '75 Lot No.: 7@ $300 M. Plate No.: _____

MINT: _____ Die Cutter(s): _____

Diameter: 28.66 ~~28.38~~ mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 8.70 ~~8.80~~ Grams; ~~137.35~~ 134.26 Grains Wgd 3.14.91 22

EX: H.I. Melnick "Grand Central Auction", 11/4-6/83 (Plated). Flip card accompanies.

Lot No.: 53 Grade XF Date Acq. 11/4/83

Ser. No. US32237 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Strong, bold strike; dark brown, fairly smooth planchet; no prominent defects but a few natural, tiny pits in lower hair, wreath and near point of mail.

REVERSE: Off-set about 10°, or so; generally similar to obverse; all detail clear and strong except a little flat in drapery, etc., but full lines in globe; full strong date, date line.

Overall, at least equal, possibly superior to the E.A.C. Coin. On present example, the rev. die deterioration from "E" of "INDE" to head of figure is somewhat more advanced. Also, further deterioration is developing in "ET LIB". However, present coin has a full strong date whereas the EAC specimen shows less than one-half of the date. It was called (by W. Breen)

"By far the finest impression we have seen from this obv. die---".

Not in L. Merkin sale of 11/31/73, nor Kessler-Spongenberger. B & R, Julius Turoff had a VF "especially sharply struck for this issue" (not plated). Not in Stacks Mo. Hist. Soc. Appleton sale of 10/23-24/70 (54 Connecs). The B & R, R.C.R No. 15 4/37, extensive, (400 & Connecs) had a F-VF @ $59 (1972).

Present coin ~~may be~~ is condition census level. Not in Roper sale.

Considerably better than the Garrett Coin Lot 1337, graded "Extremely fine or better" which also has only one-half date on flan @ $450.

also, better than plated specimen in B. & P. "R.C. Rev." No. 16, p. 11 (not graded).

~~This is finest known to me at this time. (8-31-85)~~

See GCP, Tent. Condition Census 3.16.91 as of 3.16.91, 2d only to the Dechsner AU Spec. 4.1022 @ $2530.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F-15 to XF-40 DATE: 1785

REV: VF-20 to XF-40 Miller No. 3.3-F.3

TYPE/
NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: (R4)(R4)

EAC'75 L.No. 8 M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers-New Haven I,

Die Cutter(s) Abel Buel

Diameter: 28.24 X 28.61 mm Thickness: 1.50 mm

Weight: 8.05 Grams: 124.23 Grains

EX: Donald A. Mituzas, Summer '88 FPL; possibly ex. Dr. Hall Coll. with his att. in white ink on edge.

Lot No.: 45 Grade VF Date Acq. June '88

Ser. No. US647B59 Value as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a nice smooth, light brown flan with no defects. Some details approaching or at XF-40 sharpness (AUCTORI, CONN, lower mail) others weaker and showing some wear (lower leaves of wreath, upper ege shoulder mail, breast mail).

REVERSE: Generally similar to the obverse: perfectly centered strike on an even smoother, lovely, glossy flan with no defects save a tiny shallow pit to right of the first cinquefoil and another, even tinier, left of the pole hand, both noted only for strict accuracy and future identification. As on the obverse, lower half has many details at or approaching

VF-30 to XF-40 sharpness, others more weakly struck and/or evidencing some honest wear. Overall, a lovely Connecticut with great eye-appeal. Possibly, a condition census specimen, or even finest known, on basis of the lovely flan, color, etc. Variety has a quite low average condition and commonly comes on dark, granular flans with numerous striae and other natural flan defects. Compare the '75 EAC, L. 8 spec. and Roper, L. 226, both having perhaps some sharper details but are peppered with flan defects. Similar is Stack's Oechsner Sale, L. 1023. However, L. 46 of Stack's ANA Sale, 8-24-76 is very strongly struck and has only minor flan defects and may be the finest known.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-20 DATE: 1785

REV: VF-20 Miller No.: 3^4-F^1

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: (R^3) (R^3)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 9@$75 M. Plate No.: I, 3, 8

ENT: Company For Coining Coppers, New Haven I, Westville? Die Cutter(s): Abel Buel

Diameter: 28.31 X 28.78 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm

Weight: 9.30 Grams; 141.98 Grains

EX: Anthony Terranova, Bay State Coin Show.

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 11-18-84

Ser. No. US9859 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Strong, bold strike on a nice, clean slightly mottled light to medium red-brown flan with no defects. Finely granular but glossy fields. All detail strong, although CONNEC is a trifle lighter than AUCTORI.

REVERSE: Very similar, in all respects to obv. All detail present and quite strong. ETLIB not quite as strong as INDE.

A pleasing example of this die combination.

Only slightly less sharp than the EAC example, but without the rev. flan laminations of that piece. The only other plated specimen in G.C.P. survey to date, the Appleton-M.H.S.

Lot 117 coin is probably the strongest of the three on the obverse, but the reverse is very weak in IB and seems very granular. Both of the above were graded VF + and VF. They and present coin appear to be condition census specimens.

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CONNECTICUT

Coll

GRADE: OBV: AU ~~XF-45~~ DATE: 1785

REV: AU ~~XF-45~~ Miller No. 3.4 - F.2 GCP: R6

TYPE/ NICKNAME: MBR "ET LIR" Rarity: M: R.4; EAC: R.5;

EAC'75 L.No. 58,332(NP) M.Pl.No.: I,#3

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers, New Haven I

Die Cutter(s) Abel Buel, for Samuel Bishop, et al

10-20-1785/6-1-87 .

Diameter: 28.7X 29.5 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: ~~9.05~~ 8.96 Grams: ~~139.66~~ 138.27 Grains recd 3.16.91 23

EX: Stack's, Gilbert Steinberg Collection Sale,

10-17-89: ENLARGED PLATE & COLOR PLATE / "strong XF, close to AU"

Lot No.: 78 Grade Date Acq. 10-17-89

Ser. No. 4297D08 Value as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

Obverse: Slightly off-center toward 5:00 O'clock, or so, so that very ends of breast mail lines end right on edge of flan, but no design details are off the flan. Acouple of minor nicks on neck, unnoticeable except under a glass, as is a finer than hairline ancient scratch from neck across jaw toward mouth, noted only for strictest accuracy. Brown and olive toning, fading from mint lustre. Wear is to be seen only in highest leaves of the wreath, lower hair curls and shoulder mail. Surfaces are reflective, nearly proof-like. An extraordinarily bold strike. Lovely!

REVERSE: Basically similar to the obverse, but no defects, naked eye or otherwise. Same color and surfaces. Wear seen only in highest folds of drapery, top edges of vines in shield, lines of longitude on globe. This coin has seen very little actual circulation. A candidate for finest known, certainly, the finest known to me. See tentative Condition Census in these notes. BRANCH ~~HAND~~ STEM ENDS IN CURVED LINE TO RIGHT. NOT SEEN IN GCP SIZE #2, 4. (#1 TO BE CHECKED)

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-20 DATE: 1785

REV: VF-20 Miller No.: 3-B

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: R4 (R2)*

EAC'75 L.No. 11066. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers (New Haven I)

Die Cutter(s): A. Buelhubs, punct., etc. by workmen.

Diameter: 28.3 mm Thickness: 1.50 mm

Weight: 8.10 Grams; 125.16 Grains

*too low, probably R.5-6.

EX: Peter Boisvert, Mayflower II, 19 Conn. approval lot.

Lot No.: 1 Grade Date Acq. 2-9-87

Ser. No. US 21462 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck v. slightly toward 6:00, or so, so that lower edge of nail is just on edge of flan, but really well centered. A decent flan with minimal defects. All details are present and of at least VF-20 sharpness; coloration is dark brown, nearly black, fields, with many of the stronger design features highlighted in coppery tones.

REVERSE: Similar. About perfectly centered strike and with all details strong and sharp, although, as to centering, the strike was perhaps a little toward 1:00, or so, as the liberty cap is about half off the flan. There is a fairly serious flan defect (mineral inclusion flaw) arcing from branch toward figure's head and a v. minor, fine cut

from rim and glancing off "8" of the date, therwise a decent clean flan.

A Condition Census specimen from the standpoint of strike and wear, being a trifle stronger than any of the '75 EAC, L. 11, Stack's, MHS sale L. 11 119, or the B & R, RCR No. 14, p. 56, XF spec., although one would have to move this one down a rank or two, I suppose, because of the rev. planchet flaw.

Nevertheless, a very nice example of a variety which is, in my opinion, much rarer than the assigned R^2. Only 12 plus ANS spec. (G to VF) plus this one in GCP census , to date. Probably, indicates R^5 to R^6 should be the assigned Rarity. This is the first I have seen or heard of since I began collecting CONNECS intensively around 1975, or so.

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CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1785

MILLER NO.: 4.1 - F.4

GRADE: OBVERSE: CH XF-40

REVERSE: CH XF-40

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR/"AfricanHead" RARITY: R-1

EAC '75 LOT No. 12/XF Plus/$700 M. PL. No. I, #4

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutters: Hubs of A. Buel/punctuation, ornaments, etc. added by apprentices, etc.

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.64 Vert: 28.37 Thickness: 1.70 mm

WT.: 8.44 Grams: 130.25 Grains: left Die Rot.: 5°

EX.: ~~J. Piervincenti, '93ANA; Stack's, Steinberg/ 10-17-89(plate); Stack's, MHS, 3/29/73, L.37(Plate)~~ Lot card acc.

Lot No.: _____ Cat. Grade: _____ Date Acq.: _____

GCP Ser. No. US412F190 Val. $ _____, as of _____

Source of value: _____

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a pleasing, medium brown flan with no defects. Smooth and glossy. A well balanced strike with all details strong and sharp, including the mail at shoulder and chest which is often weak, even on many condition census examples. Coin exhibits very little, if any, actual wear. Legend bold. Tops of UCTO a trifle obscured, apparently by die deterioration in

that area, to be seen, also, in some other high grade examples, particularly in Taylor 2311 and EAC L. 12and ,possiblv. Oechsner. 1026.Two tiny edge dings are noted above C and between N and E of CONNEC.

REVERSE: Similar flan characteristics to obverse. Struck slightlv off-center toward 8:00, or so, so that INDE is right on the edge of the flan. All details sharp and bold. Three vines can be seen on the shield. Date all there but lower half, or so, of numerals off the flan. There is a tiny flan pit under Ms. Liberty's pole arm and another smaller indentation in her left shpulder, neither detracting from a high Condition Census example of this well-known Connecticut type.

I am satisfied that the obverse is the Crosby coin, PLate V.,No.5 as there are numerous small details common to both, although Crosby's reverse is not from this coin.

Fifth finest, G.C.P. tentative Condition Census after: B&R,R.C.R. No. 14,,P.56,AU; Garrett III,1338,XFtoAU;Stack's, Oechsner, 1026, CH XF, and EAC '75,L. 12,XF plus.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: XF-40* DATE: 1785

REV: XF-40 Miller No.: 4^3-A^2

TYPE/NICKNAME: _____ Rarity: $(R^3_m)(R^3_{EAC})$

EAC '75 Lot No.: 13@75 M. Plate No.: 1, No 5

[illegible]NT: _____ Die Cutter(s): _____

Diameter: 28.38 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: ~~8.10~~ 8.66 Grams; ~~134.26~~ 133.64 Grains rec'd 3.17.91

EX: DAVID SOLDERMAN 10-84 LIST

Lot No.: 46 Grade VF Date Acq. 10.4.84

Ser. No. US21604 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike on an excellent, medium brown, glossy flan free of any defects except 3 old, tooled over scratches beneath chin and an, apparently natural, small rim bump ~~raised area~~ above space between "O" and "N" of "CONNEC". Sharp, bold strike with most details XF in strength. The diagnostic die break at the right shoulder has spread in jagged lines into "A" of "AUCTORI" and field above "AUC". Die failure beginning to affect neck and right shoulder mail.

REVERSE: Most details XF. Very

strong, sharp legend, date, dateline, hair
tule globe lines and drapery. Die failure
affects right frame line of shield
and produces slight bulging in
field from branch to head of
Liberty. Nice brown color and
surfaces. (See Below). Some old toned
over scratches under arm
Probably a condition census piece.
Far superior to EAC '75 Sale, Lot 13,
obverse about equal in strength &
the B×R, Furoff Sale Coin, p. 524,
but the reverse seems far better.
Dr was called: "one of the finest known
examples, another prize for the diligent
collector." Just about identical
with the Storrs, MASS. Historical
Society Sale (Appleton Coll.) Lot 120
posted XF @ $180 — in 1970. Then
was on XF in S. Mertzin's 10.31.73 Sale,
Lot 127 and on AU in NASCA's, W.H.
Bacon Sale 10.31.79, p. 177 @ 300 —, otherwise
all are inferior in Co. C.P. Certers to date.
Obverse: Rev. die breaks: lower part of
wing color through bottom of B.I.
bending in lower right of L. another
from lower tip of L into top of P

NOTE UNUSUAL RAISED PATTERN OF LINES "X"
rev. field — POSS. CRYSTALLINE STRUCTURE
OR FLAN METAL? (under staff arm)

Pu affiliating with foilingaryrim between E: to head of figure

#3
Coll

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CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1785

MILLER NO.: 4.3 - D

GRADE: OBVERSE: AVF-20

REVERSE: VF-20

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR RARITY: R-4(too low)

EAC '75 LOT No. 14, VGtoF$45. M. PL. No. I#5.14

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers-New Haven I.

Die Cutters: A. Buel

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.37 Vert 28.01 Thickness: 1.92 mm

WT.: 9.30 Grams: 143.52 Grains: left Die Rot.: 8 °

EX.: Stack's, 9/9/93 Sale (Hall, Hillyer, Ryder Coll.) No ref. to these as to this lot, however.

Lot No.: 928 Cat. Grade: VF Date Acq.: 9/9/93

GCP Ser. No. 413D24 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: A well centered strike on a dark orange-brown flan; rough and granular in left field and back of figure's head, a striation in neck. Die failure weakens mail, neck. Legend at or nearing VF-20 strength, as is face and wreath.

REVERSE: Over-all superior to the obverse. All details present except the four dot figure following the first colon and all details of VF-30 or better sharpness. All three vines are present;

The Latitude and longitude lines on the globe are quite sharp. There is a full strong date, dateline.
While this is a difficult coin to grade and to compare one spec. to another because of the die problems, and poor flans, I make this to be to be a condition census candidate. It is to be noted that there are very few plated specimens, evidence that high grade specimens are scarce. Also, the rarity rating is likely too low. Variety was not in Garrett, Oechsner, Hessberg, Picker, et al, 1/14/92; Picker I, 10/24/84; Roper.

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CONNECTICUT

#2

DATE: 1785

MILLER NO.: 4.4 - C

GRADE: OBVERSE: T: VF-20

REVERSE: T: VF-20, many det. XF-40

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR RARITY: R-3

EAC '75 LOT No. 15, AXF $375. M. PL. No.

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutters: A. Buel

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.40 Vert: 28.18 Thickness: 1.80 mm

WT.: 8.72 Grams: 134.57 Grains: left Die Rot.: 15°

EX.: Stack's, 9/9/93

Lot No.: 929 Cat. Grade: F o.a. Date Acq.: 9.9.93

GCP Ser. No. 877K09 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Well centered strike on a smooth, hard medium brown flan with no defects save a fine striation at the figure's jaw line. Most details at VF-20 strength except at figure's right shoulder and AUC which is very light due to strike and, possibly, to planchet cutter lip opposite on reverse.

REVERSE: Generally, much stronger. While there is weakness in upper left field, so that the double

4-dot figure after the first colon can barely be made out, and the head of Ms. Liberty is a trifle weak, as is the E of INDE, the remainder of the design is at or vey close to XF-40 sharpness, including a complete date, 3 vines on shield, etc.

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CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1785

MILLER NO.: 4.4 - D

GRADE: OBVERSE: T: F-15

REVERSE: O.A. VG-8 to VF-30 some det. XF

TYPE/NICKNAME: M.B.R. RARITY: Hi. R-8 MR+1 R-7+

EAC '75 LOT No. 16 M. PL. No. None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers- New Haven I.

Die Cutters: A. Buel

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.21 Vert: 28.43 Thickness: 1.87 mm

WT.: 9.31 Grams: 143.68 Grains: Left Die Rot.: 5 °

EX.: Stack's Sale, 3/22,23/94

Lot No.: 105 Cat. Grade: F-15 Date Acq.: 3/22/94

GCP Ser. No. US323H 10 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Fairly well centered strike on a light to medium brown , reasonably smooth flan with none of the usual flan flaws save two fine striae linearly across lower bust just at top of mail, not distracting."Boldly counterstamped across center of obverse "D C P" in a prepared serrated punch." Legend fairly strong, bust softly struck.

REVERSE: Details above a line connecting E of INDE to B of LIB quite strong: VF-30 to XF-40.

Lower figure mushy, date not visible. Some of is due, undoubedly, to the effects of the obverse counterstamp. A very rare Connecticut. One of three known to me: ANS: Fair-2/AG-3; '75 EAC Sale: 16: O.A. VF-20 (same coin as Taylor: 2316 where so graded) and present specimen.

The EAC/Taylor spec. seems best, this second in spite of the counterstamp.

Coll #3

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CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1785

MILLER NO.: 5-F.5

GRADE: OBVERSE: VF-30

REVERSE: VF-30

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR RARITY: JR: R-4

EAC '75 LOT No. 17 M. PL. No. I, No. 6

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers- New Haven II

Die Cutters: A. Buel

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.4 Vert: 28.25 Thickness: 1.98 mm

WT.: 9.74 Grams: 150.31 Grains: Left Die Rot.: 15 °

EX.: Tom Rinaldo, 12/92 F.P.L., L. # 46

Lot No.: 46 Cat. Grade: VF plus Date Acq.: 12/28/92

GCP Ser. No. 536F59 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a smooth, hard, light tan flan with only a few small mineral inclusion striae in the bust's head and not distracting. Some slight evidences of wear can be seen in leaves of wreath, right shoulder mail. An early state of the obverse die, with a faint line beginning parallel to the left shoulder mail and two or three beads in field but seperated from the chin .Flatly struck, as most seen at the center.

REVERSE: Similar nice flan. Struck a trifle toward 6:00, or so, but only the very bottoms of the date numerals are affected. Virtually free of the usual striae. A shallow deperessed area at upper centerof Ms. Liberty's figure evidently due to metal flow failure resulting from sinking of the obverse die in region of figure's neck.

A low Condition Census specimen, No. 7 in GCP's Tentative Condition Census.

#4

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CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1785

MILLER NO.: 6.1-A.1

GRADE: OBVERSE: XF-40

REVERSE: XF-40

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR RARITY: low R-5

EAC '75 LOT No. 18/F TUFF/#75- M. PL. No. I(6.1)AXF?

MINT: COMPANY FOR COINING COPPERS-NEW HAVEN I

Die Cutters: A. BUEL

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.73 Vert: 28.47 Thickness: 1.96 mm

WT.: 10.0 Grams: 154.32 Grains: _____ Die Rot.: 0 °

EX.: STACK'S F.P.L. '97 1.20 "XF" (PLATE)

Lot No.: 20 Cat. Grade: XF Date Acq.: _____

GCP Ser. No. 18A009 Val. $ _____, as of _____

Source of value: _____

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike, although a trifle to the right. Full dentticles 7:00 to about 11:00. Most details bold, sharp although AUCTORI sharper than CONNEC. A bit softly struck at shoulder mail. Nice brown color. Some hints of mint bloom here and there.

REVERSE: Similarly well centered. INDE considerably sharper than ET LIB.

ET light. All other details quite ~~sharp~~ strong, especially for this Variety.

ET light. All other details quite strong, especially for this variety. Insignificant are apparent.

Third finest in G.C.P. Tatah Condition Census after Chasser: 10 22 and Taylor: 2320

Lot No 20

1785 **Connecticut.** M.6.1-A.1. Mailed Bust Right. Low Rarity 5. Extremely Fine, brown in color, some minor central softness noted. This is a variety which may well be more elusive than its current rarity rating suggests. Very few specimens survive that can be graded Extremely Fine $875.00

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: AXF-40 DATE: 1785 Colo

REV: _____ Miller No.: 6^{2}-F^{1}

TYPE/NICKNAME: "Goatee Die Break" Rarity: (Rm^{4}) ($Reac^{4}$) JR-R·3

EAC '75 Lot No.: 190325 M. Plate No.: I-(No. 8)

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers - N. Harris I (Westville?) Die Cutter(s): A. Bud

Diameter: 28.3X28.5 mm Thickness: 1.90 mm

Weight: 10.04 10.15 Grams; ~~154.18~~ 156.64 154.94 Grains

EX: R. August, Providence, RI

Lot No.: - Grade AXF Date Acq. 12/3/83

Ser. No. US 43006 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck very slightly to 1:00 o'clock on a nice, quite smooth, red-brown SLIGHTLY ELLIPTICAL planchet with no defects except a natural MINERAL INCLUSION defect in shoulder mail and extending into neck above and parallel to line of mail; diagnostic die breaks in eyes, face and extending from chin to lower right corner of mail. SLIGHTLY LATER DIE STATE THAN NORLEBIT, L2471 CALLED "LATEST"

REVERSE: Similar; ~~planchet slightly granular or porous, but~~ NAKED EYE no defects; * lines in globe sharp, vines in shield all present and strong; full strong date, break (or engraver's mark?) runs from top of "8" toward "5"; top rim rounded from 10:00 o'clock to 2:00 o'clock, or so, as appears to be chararestistic of this variety (See both Miller and EAC plate coins).

* under glass, lots scattered tiny marks in other parts of figure and here and there in fields. Also, in some darker brown speckling in field left of head, all noted only on at least accurate.

At least equal, or possibly better than Miller Plate Coin. ~~(Possibly superior to EAC specimen~~

Superior to the J. Turoff Coll. (B&R. 10/1-2 /76 specimen) (226) Connecs.); Lot 529 graded VF-EF (plated)

Probably, superior to the Kessler-Spongenberger example (plated) Lot 2210 (4/28-29/81) @ $150, and to Stack's MHS Sale, 10-23-70, Lot 123 (Plated).
Superior to the EAC '75 sale piece, Lot 19, even tho die deteriation below chin is more advanced than in the EAC coin. Also, surprisingly, & probably better, overall, than Stack's MHS Sale of 3-29-73, Lot 38 described as uncirculated.
A really extraordinary Connec.

Seemingly superior to Lot 13 (plated) of the U.E.R.C. Co., Bicent. Public Auct. of 7-23-76 graded VF-35.
It is to be noted that practically all the plated specimens in Sc Penny and related doubloons very poor surfaces with most, if not all, being described as having porous or granular surfaces. While the present specimen is lovely smooth surfaces for the most part.
Certainly this is candidate for and as a candidate, albeit, for finest known.
Of the specimen in B&R, RCR No. 14, (plated) possibly is finest known.

#5

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: ~~VF-30 to~~ XF-40 DATE: 1785

REV: XF-40 Miller No. 6 - G1

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: R.3 R.3

EAC'75 L.No. 20 @ $125. M.Pl.No.: I,#9,(6.3)

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers- New Haven I

Die Cutter(s): Comp. hubs of A. Buel, incl. dev./ letters; punct., branch (?)added by workmen.

Diameter: 28.55 x 28.53 mm Thickness: 1.60 mm

Weight: 8.70 Grams; 134.26 Grains rechd 3.17.91

EX: Donald A. Mituzas, taken on approval at Norweb Sale; Ex B&R Springfield I Sale, 9/22-24/81. *RATED

Lot No.: 3 Grade XF Date Acq. 3-28-88

Ser. No. US435A09 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: *GRADED "F OR BETTER"!

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a lovely light to medium brown flan with no defects worth mention. Wear is evident only on the highest point of the right shoulder mail and highest points of the wreath leaves. A late state of the obverse die (as well as the reverse die) so that the die is beginning to weaken around the periphery, weakening the tops of the letters of AUCTORI, and, to alesser extent, of CONNEC.

REVERSE: Struck from a terminal state of this die. Massive bulging between INDE and the figure. Wavy lines from 9:30, or so , to 1:00 and in date. However, all design details are present and quite strong. A close match for the Garrett spec., L. 1339 (@$1,000)

#6

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: ~~XF-40~~ AU-58 DATE: 1785

REV: ~~XF-40*~~ AU-58 Miller No. 6.3 - G.1

TYPE/ *B&M:AU-58
NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: R.3 R.3**

EAC'75 L.No. 20/XF/$125. M.Pl.No.: #9(6.3)

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutter(s) Comp. hubs of A. Buel, incl. dev./leg punctuation, branch (?) added by workmen.

Diameter: ~~28.9X28.4~~ 28.74X28.52 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm

Weight: ~~9.65~~ 9.59 Grams: ~~152.78~~ 148.5 Grains Oechsner: 148.3 rechd 3.17.91

EX: Bowers & Merena pvt. sale; Ex Stack's, Herebert M. Oechsner Sale, Sept. 8,9, 1988, SEE BELOW @$1100.

Lot No.: 1035 Grade XF Date Acq. 9/ /89

Ser. No. US217W503 Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value: Ex.: STACK'S, H.W. GUNLOCK SALE 3-14-89 L. 1520 (PLATED) @$880.

**EARLY DIE STATE POSSIBLY R5-6

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered ; extremely sharply struck except for some very minor weakness in lower wreath; a lovely medium brown with faint olive overtones on reverse. As Oechsner Catalogue notes, a "smoky patch" in UCT and field below. Really, no wear visible even on highest points. Under a glass, there are scattered natural mineral inclusion flaws mainly in face and neck as is typical in this variety.

REVERSE: Similarly strong and sharp with the only weakness in lower central figure. There are also similar natural flaws and a few planchet roller marks in that area. Die break

over E of INDE plain.No break from rim throug
N of INDE to branch hand, noted in descriptio
of the mint state spec., L.1034. However,
there are a series of roughly parallel
breaks in the date:one from rim through botto
5 and to bottom of 8; a second from lower right
base of 1, through lower part of 7 and into
field and ending just short of 8; a third short
one from about middle of lower loop of 8 to
left into field;a fourth from below upper
right corner of 7 into field toward, not
reaching, upper loop of 8.Not noted in Miller.
Most can be seen on GCP Spec. No.5 (late die
state) but not in GCP 4 other spec.Some faint
signs evident of the later massive die
deterioration on both sides of the figure's
head.

A lovely Connecticut! Possibly, second or
third finest known.Oechsner L.1034 is
probably finest known.This is possibly tied
with Bowers & Merena, RCR No. 14 spec. for
second but plate is poor makingcomparison
difficult.

My census, to date, shows that early die
state examples are twice as rare as late
die state examples.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: A UNC. DATE: 1785

REV: A UNC. Miller No.: 6^3 - G^2

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: (R^4)

EAC'75 L.No. 21 03325. M.Pl.No.: 6^3.I,8

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers-New Haven-I

Die Cutter(s): Abel Buel

Diameter: 29.88x29.78 mm Thickness: 1.60 mm

Weight: 8.0 7.90 Grams; 121.92 Grains

EX: Henry L. Garrett; ex. A. Terranova

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq: March, 1987

Ser. No. US 78950 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Perfectly centered strike on a broad flan. UNiform medium brown coloration; generally smooth, glossy surfaces with no flan defects other than a peppering of mostly tiny surface pits, mostly rather widely dispersed but with a group between C of CONNEC and chin of figure and another beloe AUC. The heaviest group is, fortunately, concentrated in a linerunning along below the line of the wreath where it appears, except under a glass, to be part of the figure's hair. Some denticles evident around the entire rim of the coin. There is practically no evidence of wear other than, possibly, some "cabinet friction" on the upper surfaces of the leaves of the wreath. All details of the design

are strong and sharp.Faint evidence of buckling of the obverse die between second N of CONNEC and mouth of the figure.

REVERSE: Struck very slightly toward 3:00, or so, leaving broad denticles from about 5:00 around to 1:00, but ET LIB is well into the flan. No flan problems to the unaided eye. However, under a glass, there are a few of the same tiny pits as on the obverse grouped in the figure's left leg, and a few above her branch arm, not detracting in any way from an extraordinary CONNECTICUT.All design details are bold and sharp, including the three grape vines in the shield, on which even the individual grapes of each bunch can easily be counted! AS on the obverse,no wear is to be seen, save, possibly, the fainest "cabinet friction" on the figure's breast and upper folds of her drapery.

This is probably the finest known of this die variety.

CONNECTICUT

#1

GRADE: OBV: F-12 to VF-30 DATE: 1785 Gw

REV: VG-8 to F-12 Miller No.: 6^4 - F^5

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: High R^6 U.R

EAC'75 L.No. 22@$130. M.Pl.No.: I, 6, 11

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutter(s):

Diameter: 28.40 x 28.60 mm Thickness: 1.70 4 mm

Weight: ~~9.00~~ 8.97 1959 Grams; ~~140.43~~ 138.86 138.43 Grains CAT.: 138.3 weld 3.4.11 23

EX: R. picker, Ex. Bowers & Merena, Frederick B. Taylor Collection Sale, Lot 2326 (Plated)

Lot No.: 2326 Grade: F-12/VG 8 Date Acq.

Ser. No. US21764 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a very decent flan with no notable defects save a shallow depression below center of curve of the right shoulder mail blending into field and scarcely noticeable light tan bust against deep brown fields. Some typical lightness of striking combined with honest wear in face, leaves of wreath and right ehoulder mail, but all other detail is at least VF-20 to 30 with a scattering approaching XF-40. The Taylor Cataloguer (M. Hodder) grading was very conservative on this piece, I feel.

REVERSE: Similar coloration; much weaker in every respect than the obverse. Struck from a very worn die. Particularly weak at the center with the figure just escaping appearing as an amorphous, gohstly image. However, the legend is coparatively strong. Date is at least half off the flan and light.

A candidate for finest known--certainly Condition Census.

Overall, superior to the EAC spec,(L. 22) the only other plated spec. in GCP census.The ANS spec., called "in much worn state." by W. Breen in the EAC Catalogue, was graded by me as VF/F, so may be comparable to present spec. although I noted striae both obv. and rev. There was a F/VG as L. 2229 in NASCA,Kessler-Spangenberger Sale (1981)one in Stack's,6//9/80 Sale, L. 13,was graded only VG but desc. as "Better than the A.N.S. specimen."It is difficu to believe that the cataloguer was referring to the coin which I saw atA.N.S. More likely, I surmise , is that he assumed the correctness of Breen's description in the EAC Cat. Outside of the above i have a record only of a VG in the B.&Ruddy, Turoff Sale (1976). Conclude, this may be finest or one of top two or three.

ADDENDUM:Have just learned of theR.S.Martin sp Ex.Steve Ivy ,Charmont Sale, L.1103, spec.,not graded but graded by Martin VF-25-30,and calle by Ivy Cat."Easily the finest known--" and by Martin,"Probably finest known." Not plated in but may well be the finest. It would be nice t know its pedigree.

CONNECTICUT

1785
MBR

COLL

GRADE: OBV: ~~XF~~ -40* MILLER NO.: 6-I #1
REV: XF -40 RARITY: EAC:
RARITY: M: R3
EAC '75 Lot No. 23 M. Plate No. I, #11
Diameter: ~~28.87x28.60~~ mm Thickness: 1.80 mm
Weight: ~~9.42~~ 9.56 Grams; ~~147.38~~ Grains
Ex: R. August DIAM: 28.53x23.55 146.61 rcvd 3-19-91
145.37 23

Lot No.: Grade: VF-XF Date Acq. 11-8-82
Ser. No. U.S. 72254 Value:$ as of
Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

GENERAL: "VF-XF perhaps some claim to bear XF, very sharp, nice (light brown) color and strike. The finest 1785 I have ever owned even with the tiny reverse rim cut". R. August description. EARLY STATE OF REV. DIE.
Lovely, red brown patina. Often always seen with this variety,

OBVERSE: Some light planchet striations above "TORI" and slightly beyond "I"; also, from rim into wreath; single, fine line irregularly across hair and down into knot of ribbon. Very seen only in lower face and upper line of right shoulder. Lovely, smooth fields.

REVERSE: Nice, smooth, light red brown planchet; narrow planchet crack runs from figures' right shoulder, across figure to edge of shield; cut from rim opposite left end of line above date into "I" of "INDE", not detracting from a lovely Connecticut copper.

IN SPITE OF REV. CUT, is possibly, one of finest known. Certainly, condition curve. Overall, considerably better than Kessler-Stromberger (photo) coin, lot 2211. Obv. about equal, but rev. stronger, than specimen B+R. "RCR"

No K4, p. 57 graded EF or better
@ 129 – (Apr. Nov 72). Probably, slightly
finer, on balance, than the EAC
75 spec, but 23 (plated) with the
ver. of this the best of the 3
plated coins noted above.
Miller plate is dark and
difficult to compare.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VG-8 to VF-20 DATE: 1785

REV: AG to VF-20 Miller No.: 6-K

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: R6

EAC'75 L.No. 24 @ 185. M.Pl.No.: I, #12

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers- New Haven I

Die Cutter(s):

Diameter: 28.3 x 28.73 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 9.01 Grams: 139.05 Grains: 138.8

DIE ROT: 00

EX: Bowers & Merena, Frederick B. Taylor Collection Sale.; Ex. R. Picker 1962

Lot No.: 2329 Grade VG-8 Date Acq. 3-27-87

Ser. No. US 21659 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Perfectly centered strike; lovely medium brown, uniform coloration, rarely seen, in my exprience. For whatever reason, most Connecticuts show wear, "cabinet friction", or whatever, resulting in much brighter figures and legend than the fields. This appears as though it has been sitting in a secure, quiet place since the late 18th century! I like it! The Taylor Catalogue says, "--obv. mechanically scrubbed". Actually, nothing is seen except under a glass, when a number of extremely fine scratches, almost hidden in the toning can be made out. Not distracting, especially in a coin of this rarity. While the center of the figure, including the right shoulder mail, and an

area running up and left through the lower wreath and into the lower hair area is quite weak, remaining detail is of at least VF-20 to VF-30 in sharpness, with a few det. approaching XF-40. Practically none of the observed weakness is related to wear but to weakness in the dies and strike.

REVERSE: Peripheral details are of at least VF-20 or better strength, including a full, quite sharp date though weakening at bottoms of the numerals. The left side of the figure, including the branch and arm, and the head, left arm, liberty cap, are fairly sharp, however, the lower right side of the figure and lower center are only vaguely to be seen. Lovely, medium brown, uniformly patinated surfaces and pleasing.

Not quite the equal of the EAC spec., but close. Nothing else in GCP census even close. Would say, second finest known, after the EAC spec. Not in ANS when GCP inventoried them. Seven, including this in GCP census , to date.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VG to AVF DATE: 1785

REV: VG to AVF Miller No.: 6^5-M

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: R^5-R^6

EAC'75 L.No. 25 @ $160. M.Pl.No.: I, #10

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutter(s):

Diameter: 28.8X28.4 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: ~~8.00~~ 8.66 Grams; ~~134.86~~ 133.64 Grains CAT. 133.5 GR. ckd 3.19.91

EX: Ex. Richard Picker; Ex. Bowers & Merena, 23 Frederick B. Taylor Collection Sale.

Lot No.: 2330 Grade F-12 Date Acq. 3-27-87

Ser. No. US 8997 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Quite well centered strike; somewhat elliptical flan; medium brown; porous at center; where detail is typically indestinct; peripheral detail approaches VF-20, or so. The diagnostic die break above NNE is plain.

REVERSE: Struck off-center to 4:00, or so, ET LI right on edge and B partly off; most of figure quite strong for this variety, as is legend; nearly a full date, only bottoms of numerals off the flan; considerably more porosity than on obv. Still, an acceptable example of a rare die combination. Somewhat finer than the EAC, L. 25 spec. Possible Condition Census candidate, despite the obvious problems.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: abt. VF-20 DATE: 1785

REV: VF-30 Miller No.: 7[1]-D

TYPE/NICKNAME: _____ Rarity: (Rm[5]) (HiR[6] eac) I#I4 XF or better

EAC '75 Lot No.: 26 @210. ~~326 @ 250.~~ M. Plate No.: _____

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers, N. Haven I (Westville?) Die Cutter(s): Abel Buel for Sam'l Bishop, et al

Diameter: 28.53 x 28.38 mm Thickness: 1.90 mm

Weight: 9.60 9.56 Grams; 147.53 ~~148.61~~ 148.15 Grains

EX: Mike Ringo, April '84 List, Lot No. 6

Lot No.: 6 Grade VF Date Acq. 5- - 84

Ser. No. US43555 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on warm, medium brown flan. "CT" of "AUCTORI" a trifle light, otherwise legend is strong and sharp, as is left shoulder mail. Head detail is quite well defined, though somewhat flat in central area. A planchet dent between "OR" and upper face, as well as a few light striae in lower part of figure and field to lower left. None unduly detracting. Evidently, from an early state of the dies as the usual bulged obverse is only slightly noticeable to right side.

REVERSE: Nearly perfectly centered strike on a nice, smooth, medium brown flan with no defects except a tiny pit (natural) to right of elbow of pole arm of figure and another in right shoulder of figure. Entire reverse except upper left arc from 9:00 or so to 11:00 has strength and sharpness of an XF-40, or so. However "D" of

"INDE" is light and "E" only just visible, as is colon, & branch and branch hand. Full, strong date. Lower half of figure extremely sharp. All grape-vines and lines of globe present. Other than weakness in "DE" and branch, reverse is far superior to either Lot 26 or 326 of EAC '75 sale. Obverse is much better than Lot 326 as well, graded "nearly fine". Head detail is superior, as well, to that of Lot 26. (graded VG to F) Cat. says "-- apparently unknown in VF". Apparently, present coin is 3rd or 4th best known. See G.C.P. tentative condition census following.

Overall, superior to B&R, "R.C.R." No. 14 (Plated) Specimen proof "If some surface marks" @ 249. (1922)

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CONNECTICUT 1785

GRADE: OBV: VG-10 GF-12 MILLER NO.: 7-D2 R7
REV: G-6 G/VG RARITY: EAC:
28@475-@ RARITY: M: R6
EAC '75 Lot No. 27815 ! M. Plate No.
Diameter: 28.03 28.35 mm Thickness: 1.70+ mm
Weight: 9.10 9.05 Grams; 140.4 139.66 146.61 Grains (corr.)
Ex: J.J. Teaparty, Inc. (on consignment) 6-15-83 recd 3.19.91 23
Coin is unknown in grade, above F-12 (G.G.C.P.)
WT: 9.05 GR 139.66 GRAINS

Lot No.: Grade: Date Acq. 6-15-83
Ser. No. U.S.81236 Value:$ as of
Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Medium to dark brown planchet with legend and bust lighter; struck slightly to about 10:00, or so, "ORI" on edge; "TORI" lightly struck or worn somewhat; slight edge imperfection above "NT"; SOME PLANCHET DELAMINATION IN AND ABOVE "NE" of "CONNEC", diagnostic massive die break through neck and across fillet ends; wreath and hair detail rather flatly struck or worn but well outlined and mail fairly strong, probably of IF sharpness, as is "AUC" and "CONNEC"

REVERSE: Dark brown fields, with lighter legend and figure; "IN" of "IND" mostly gone as is date; edges worn rather round but no planchet defects.

This superior to plated specimen in NERCG Bi-Centennial Cabbage Auct. Sale II, 7-23-76, L. 18; also, even more superior to the plated spec. in B+R, "RCR" M14 G/VG #395-. Not quite up to the EAC L.27 spec (@ #815.) but not markedly inferior, on balance. Certainly, the

lower bust detail in present coin is more sharply, so is "NEC" of "CONNEC" the "TORI" of "AUCTORI" lighter in CCCP coin. Reverse of EAC coin is generally superior, however. (2nd spec. in EAC is not plated.)

Only 9 in Hessney, incl. 2 in EAC and 1 of Spec. (or 3.19.91)

Present coin is in condition census. See tentative cond. census, next page.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F toVF* DATE: 1785

REV: VF-20 Miller No.: 8-D

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL, Head of 86 Rarity: R^6) (R^7)

TAC '75 Lot No.: 29@$750. M. Plate No.: II #15

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers, New Haven Westville? Die Cutter(s): A. Buel,

Diameter: 28.39 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 8.47 Grams; 130.71 Grains

EX: Robert Moffatt, MS Rare Coins, Auburn, Ma.

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 12-7-84

Ser. No. US 21251 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Fairly well centered strike on a steel gray flan with olive green patina, mostly without the usual flan defects, except a rather heavy flan striation running SW from between "NN" of CONNEC to right shoulder of bust. Also, there are a few areas of darker roughness here and there. Also, a dig below chin of figure. "OR" of AUCTORI not there and "I" is light. Most facial detail is not struck up, as usually seen in this variety. CONNEC is quite strong, as is mail.

REVERSE: Similar color and patination, as well as surfaces. Struck slightly toward 12:00 o'clock or so. Atypical flan for this variety, with areas

areas of fine granularity and fairly heavy striae running NW from "IB" to breast of figure. However, most design details are of VF sharpness, except "IN" of "INDE" light. There is a tiny natural flan defect in "5" of date, noted only for accuracy and identification.

While considered very rare in Crosby and Miller's era, Miller reported,"Crosby found only one.", G.C.P. survey to date shows 14 appearances, plus 2 in ANS, however, the average condition of the specimens is quite low.

Except for the flan striae, present specimen appears to be equal to or better than most of the plated specimens in G.C.P. survey.

Obv. and especially the reverse are far better than the Appleton-MHS spec.,in Stack's sale of 10-23-70, L. 124. From a wear standpoint, at least equal to Roper L.229 at $396. B.&R., J. Turoff, L534 may be the strongest known. While the obverse is not quite equal to the B. &R., R.C.P No. 14, P.57, spec., the rev. is probably better. That spec. was priced at $495. in 1972. Probably, not too far below the Robison L. 111 spec.@ $475.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-20to30 DATE: 1786 #2

REV: VF-20-30 Miller No. 1 - A

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR "Dble Chin " Rarity: R4/R6/5- M EAC N or.

EAC'75 L.No. 30/XFtoAU@$725. M.Pl.No.: II,No.16

MINT: Rahway, N.J.

Die Cutter(s): Benj. Dudley and James F. Atlee

Diameter: 27.74 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm

Weight: 8.75 Grams; 137.03 Grains N: 135.0

EX: Bowers & Merena, Norweb Collection Sale II (Plated). Flip card accompanies.

Lot No.: 2475 Grade VF-30 Date Acq. 3-25-88

Ser. No. US 322G07 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike, perhaps a trifle toward 1:00. or so, on a warm brown flan, a little lighter at center. A decent flan, no defects save some granularity around the periphery. Nearly all detail quite strong and sharp except wreath not struck up and showing some wear as on about every plated specimen seen. Cf. the Garrett III, L. 1341 spec., an XF and showing no wreath detail. Cf., also, the EAC spec.

REVERSE: Well centered, trifle to 10:00 with wider denticles 11:00 to 6:00, but denticles all around. Similar nice brown coloration, no problems, save some natural flan "drifts" center, in normally weak area for this die.

CONNECTICUT

tech grade

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GRADE: OBV: F to VF* ? DATE: 1786

REV: VF to VF* ? Miller No.: 2^1 - A

TYPE/NICKNAME: Rarity: (R^3) (R^3)

C '75 Lot No.: 31@$260. M. Plate No.: LL,16,17

NT: Rahway, N.J. Die Cutter(s): James F. Atlee(See EAC Cat. P.12)

Diameter: V: 27.65 H: ~~27.5×27.89~~ mm Thickness: 1.40 mm

Weight: 6.55 Grams; 100.38 Grains rechd 3.23.91

EX: Kagin's, Baltimore Sale, ANA Convention, 1985

Lot No.: 82 NO PLATE Grade VF Date Acq. 8-16,17-85

Ser. No. U.S. 21380 Value: as of

ource of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck very slightly off center toward 9:00 o'clock, or so, with full denticles in right rim semi-circle, but AUCTORI is well clear of rim. Although there is weakness in area of lower three leaves of wreath, and AUCTORI is a trifle weaker than CONNEC, most details are of XF sharpness or close to it and do not evidence much , if any, actual wear.

Surfaces are moderately granular and exhibit some sheen as though possibly treated with COIN CARE or similar product in the past.(1) Medium brown with areas of reddish mottling at lower center. A natural tiny flan depression about

(1) PROBABLY FROM BROSITIN CO.

at figure's ear. Some roughness below AUCT apparently from a rusted die.

REVERSE: ABOUT PERFECT MEDAL TURN. Except for typical weakness at center of the figure, a sharp XF in most details. The head shows the most amazing detail, with every wave of Liberty's hair sharp and strong, even without a glass! Similarly, all her other facial features are exquisitely molded and delineated, a triumph of the engravers art in a tiny head measuring but 3MM high! There is absolutely no sign of wear even though the head possibly ~~XXXXX~~ is in the highest relief on the coin. ET LIB INDE is crisply sharp and showing no, slightest sign of circulation. Other typical die weakness affects top seriph of E of INDE and 1 of date, both nearly always seen on this variety. Lower right grapevine of shield is present, as is lower left , but latter weaker. There are a number of planchet roller marks in center of figure and (apparently) in branch arm, none detracting. Color is a pleasing, warm medium brown with some red-brown toning, and an area of darker coloration around and above D of INDE.

Attempting to fit this example into the Condition Census using the rather numerous plated examples in G.C.P. Census: (See Census Sheet) .Present coin may be in top eight known to me.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-30 DATE: 1786

REV: VF-30 Miller No. 2.1-D.3

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: R6/R8/R7

EAC'75 L.No. 32/F/or-@$285. M.Pl.No.: II,#17

MINT: Rahway, N.J.

Die Cutter(s): Benjamin Dudley, James F. Atlee

Diameter: 28.0 × 28.0 mm Thickness: 2.00 mm

Weight: 9.80 Grams; 151.24 Grains N: 150.0

EX: Bowers & Merena, Norweb Collection II Sale.

Lot No.: 2477 Grade VF-20 Date Acq. 3-28-88

Ser. No. US 3220D04 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike; medium brown fields, lighter in the bust, on a very pleasing flan with no defects. Microscopically granular, more or less uniformly across surface, but not detracting. Evenly and quite sharply struck.

REVERSE: Similar coloration, flan, etc. Well struck, all detail present and quite sharp. The finest known to me, overall.

In spite of of the statement in the Taylor sale catalogue that "--approximately 10 specimens--" are known, I have recorded only 5: 4-28-81 NASCA, Kessler-Spangenberger, L.2212; G-VG (plated); 7-23-76, NERCG, Bi-Centennial

II, L.21,F-12; one said to be in R.August collection;Pine TRee, '75 EAC Sale L. 32, F, pitted,rough;B& M, Taylor,L. 2339,VF-20, but with incusations in obv. fig.'s forehead; and Miller, PLate II.

Miller obv. is probably finest, but revers is considerably weaker.

On balance, Norweb/GCP specimen is probably the finest known.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VG-8 to AVF-20 DATE: 1786

REV: VG-8 to F-15 Miller No.: 3-D[1]

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: 1.125 (R[6])

EAC'75 L.No. 35 @ $225. M.Pl.No.: II,18

MINT: Rahway, N.J.

Die Cutter(s): Probably, James F. Atlee

Diameter: 28.19 x 28.0 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm

Weight: 8.97* Grams; 138.48 Grains CAT.: 138.1 GR.

* WITH TINY CLIP.

EX: Bowers & Merena, Frederick B. Taylor Coll. Sale; Ex. New Netherlands, 51st. Sale, 6/19-20/58 Hall, Brand, et al.

Lot No.: 2342 Grade VG-8 Date Acq. 3-27-87

Ser. No. US 32864 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Quite well centered strike on a dark olive brown flan, with slightly lighter ,red brown figure. No defects other than a shallow mint clip at about 5:00 on obv. While the legend has sharpness of a VF-20, or better, the bust detail is much weaker. Although well outlined most details are rather flat, just about a twin of the EAC L. 35 plated spec., even to the clip.

REVERSE: Well centered strike; no real flan problems, save a 2MM cut in Ms. Liberty's lap just below the branch arm, and very finely granular fields. The clip appears much shallower and is above T of ET. Full sharp date; legend of VF-20, or so strength, though ET a bit weaker than INDE and LIB. A second flan

cut exactly lies over the pole in Lib.'s left hand and neatly bisects the Liberty cap, but really is unobtrusive.

Just about equal to the EAC, L. 35 spec. See tentative Condition Census in GCP census.

This may be tied for 4th or 5th best known to me.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: AG-3 DATE: 1786 Gall MCH HiR7

REV: G-6 Miller No.: 3-D4 CNL: R8

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: Hi R7

EAC'75 L.No. 36 @ $135. M.Pl.No.: II,18,20

MINT: Rahway, N.J.

Die Cutter(s): Probably, James F. Atlee

Diameter: 27.26X28.43 mm Thickness: 1.50 mm

Weight: 7.45 Grams; ~~114.97~~ 114.97 Grains CNL: 114.8GR. rechd: 3.24.11

EX: Bowers & Merena, FRederick B. Taylor Coll. L. 2344; (PLATED) Ex. Pine Tree, 1975 E.A.C. Sale, L. 36.

Lot No.: 2344 Grade AG-3 Date Acq. 3-27-87

Ser. No. US 32204 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Quite well centered strike; fairly coarsely granular fields; dark olive- brown fields, lt. reddish brown legend and device; anatural flan crackrunning from rim at about center of the bust, irregularly through face and into 1st C of CONNEC; tiny mint clip at 1:00, or so; AUCTORI not discernable, but CONNEC plain.

REVERSE: Similar flan, coloration; much more detail present; INDE barely discernible; 786 of date clear; large rim break or "cud" covers 1 of date and Ms. Lib.'s foot; clip is at 5:00. W.Breen, EAC Cat.: only three known-Miller Pl. coin, ANS-this ex., one other rumored. Barnsley *?

* NOT IN CNL FOUNDATION (EX BARNSLEY) COLL.

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CONNECTICUT 1786

All? almost no wear visible

GRADE: OBV: XF-40 MILLER NO.: 4^1-G #1
REV: XF-40 RARITY: EAC: R2
RARITY: M: R^2

EAC '75 Lot No. 37 M. Plate NO. II(19)
Diameter: 28.03 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm
Weight: 9.82 Grams; 151.55 Grains weighed; 3.24.91
Ex: J.J. Teaparty, Inc., Boston. Flip card accompanies. Offered @ $550.

Mint: "Company for Coining Coppers" Dies from Conf. trebx (legends and date included) by Abel Buel hand finished by workmen.

Lot No.: NTX-883 Grade AU Date Acq. 8-30-83
Ser. No. U.S. 24650 Value: as of
Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

GENERAL: Well centered strike on smooth, glossy planchet. Nice, medium brown color.

OBVERSE: Sharp, bold strike; all detail strong except "AUC" lightly struck as in EAC example (lot 37); very little actual wear visible very fine planchet crack from milling between "I" of "AUCTORI" and wreath into forehead and across bridge of nose.

REVERSE: Similar; everything bold and sharp except "DE" of "INDE" (opposite "AUC" of obverse) soft. Evidently, this is characteristic of this variety. See EAC specimen for same condition, no sign of period between "ET" and "LIB"; waviness in field between figure and "TLI" of ET LIB" is also, evidently, from the die as it is also shown in the EAC plate coin - a superior Connecticut cent! Coin is at least equal to, possibly better than the Miller plate coin and definitely better than the EAC Lot 37, esp. the reverse which appears to lack the inner detail present in this coin.

Possibly, finest known.

CONNECTICUT

Gov #1

GRADE: OBV: F to VF DATE: 1786

REV: Same Miller No.: 4^{2}-R

TYPE/NICKNAME: Rarity: (Rm^{6}) (Rem^{7}) SR R-7

EAC '75 Lot No.: 38 M. Plate No.:

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers Dies from complete Die Cutter(s): hubs, key & dates by A. Buel hand finished by workmen*

Diameter: 28.39 mm Thickness: 1.50 mm

Weight: 8.15 Grams; 126.00 Grains Recvd: 3.24.91

EX: Robert A. Vlack, Bay State Coin Show, Boston

*See Art. CNL #39 2/74 pp 423-424

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 3/19/84

Ser. No. US 9724 Value: as of

Source of Value:

"Breen - EAC "probably six of these around ---"

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck slightly O.C. toward 6:00, or so on a mostly fairly smooth, medium brown planchet. Some roughness through "AUCTORI"; striae from back of head to shoulder and in front of face into "C" of "AUCTORI"; spot of Verdegris at nose, "AUCTORI" has strength of a VF or XF, "CONNEC" weak.

REVERSE: Similar, striated area under pole arm and into "LIB"; lower part of date lightly struck or worn; "INDE" strong, "ET LIB" light. Overall, not too much inferior to the EAC plate coin. Only 3 in GCP census (to 3/26/84), best being a F in B & R, "RCR" No. 15 (not plated)* None at auctio except EAC coin and a VG-10 in NERCG Bicentennial Public Sale (7/23-24/76) Lot. 25.

* but plated in "RCR" No. 14, Apr., May '72.

Possibly one of best known.

(1) Miller
(2) ANS
(3) Dr. Hall
(4) EAC
(5) GCP - Vlack
(6) B+R, "RCR #'s 14,15, abt. F
(7) " " " F

See B+R, "RCR" #'s 14,15 coin, plated in No. 14, is conservatively graded as Fine and is, apparently, superior to G.C.P. specimen.

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CONNECTICUT

Cont #2

DATE: 1786

MILLER NO.: 4.2 - R

GRADE: OBVERSE: T: AVF - 20 *

REVERSE: AVF-20

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL RARITY: JR: R-7

EAC '75 LOT No. 38 M. PL. No. None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers.

Die Cutters: Dies from comp. hubs, leg. & dates by A. Buel, hand finished by workmen, apprentices.

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.5 Vert: 28.32 Thickness: 1.76 mm

WT.: 8.91 Grams: 138.43 Grains: _____ Die Rot.: R: 13°

EX.: Colonial Trading (?)

Lot No.: _____ Cat. Grade: AVF Date Acq.: _____

GCP Ser. No. _____ Val. $ _____, as of _____

Source of value: _____

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a decent flan save for a fairly major natural flan cleft at 8:00, or so, and narrowing and extending across neck of figure and ending between N and E of CONNEC. Another, light cleft between O and N of CONNEC and still another across head to nose. There are, further, some parallel compression (?) marks toward nose and a couple of others through and left of C. Except for the major cleft at 8:00 none of t

are major distractions.

<u>REVERSE</u>: Again well centered and with only some fine natural striae across upper figure.

This CONNEC often is found with numerous striae and other flan problems. In spite of its flan problems, I make this out to be #4 on the GCP Tentative Condition Census, q.v.

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CONNECTICUT

Coll #3

DATE: 1786

MILLER NO.: 42-R

GRADE: OBVERSE: C.A. F-15

REVERSE: C.A. F-15

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL RARITY: R-R-1

EAC '75 LOT No. 88 M. PL. No.

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers

Die Cutters: Dies from Gam. Hobs, leg & date by A. Buck, hand finished by workmen, apprentices etc.

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.26 Vert: 28.05 Thickness: 1.60 mm

WT.: 7.93 Grams: 122.38 Grains: Right Die Rot.: 15°

EX.: Jeff-Rock, Rosa Americana, Lot Spring 97 EPL

Lot No.: 86 Cat. Grade: CH. F Date Acq.: 4-10-97

GCP Ser. No. B9X794 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: ABOUT PERFECTLY CENTERED STRIKE ON A MEDIUM BROWN FLAN MOSTLY FREE OF THE FLAWS FOUND ON THIS VARIETY (SEE GCP #2). "AUCTORI" APPROACHING VF-30 SHARPNESS, NEC OF CONNEC BARELY VISIBLE, FIGURE WELL OUTLINED BUT WEAK IN CENTER OF HEAD. MAIL APPROACHING VF SHARPNESS, A STRIATION FROM FOREHEAD TO BACK OF NOSE, ANOTHER FROM RIM ACROSS "W".

REVERSE: SIMILAR. LEFT SIDE FAIRLY STRONG, INCLUDING INDE, L. SIDE FIGURE & DATE QUITE STRONG, RIGHT SIDE OF FIGURE AND INDE LIGHT; AFEW FINE STRIAE, L.L. QUADRANT.

ABOUT PERFECTLY CENTERED.

CONNECTICUT

#1 GLV

GRADE: OBV: G-8 to F-15 DATE: 1786

REV: G-8 to F-15 Miller No.: 4.2-S

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: R8 JR LOW R-7

EAC'75 L.No. 39 @ $ 225.(this coin) M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: COMPANY FOR COINING COPPERS.

Die Cutter(s): ~~Probably, James F. Atlee~~ A.B.EL'S HUBS; PUNCT. ORNAMENTS BY WORKMEN, APPRENTICES, ETC.

Diameter: 28.34 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 9.26 Grams; ~~145.06~~ 142.91 Grains CAT.: 143.1 GR. Rechd; 3.24.91

EX: Bowers & Merena, FRederick B. Taylor Coll. Sale; Ex. Pine Tree, 1975 E.A.C. Sale, L. 39.

Lot No.: E2350 (LATE) Grade G-4 Date Acq. 3-27-87

Ser. No. US 43639 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck off-center toward 5:00, or so, on a medium to lighter brown flan with no notable defects, a couple of hairline striae in breasy of bust are noted only for strict accuracy. Unevenly struck, AU not visible, C also missing and O only vstigially apparent. Diagnostic die break noted by Miller extending from neck of bust, across fillets very plain. As noted in Taylor Cat., a pl. cutter lip runs from about 4:00 around to 8:00; weakness of striking through vertical center of head; also, in breast of figure. As noted in EAC Cat., "--clean surfaces suggesting VG or better--".

REVERSE: Similar flan, coloration, etc. Uneven striking results in D beind only vaguely to be

seen, as is 6 of the date. The "all important" "sword-hilt" die brek beneath Ms. Lib.'s left arm is clear.

According to W. Breen in the EAC Cat., this apparently is the the discovery coin found by Norman Bryant and published in CNL 3/64. Breen notes one in the Barnsley coll. (NOW IN CNL FOUND. COLL.); GCP census lists only the Pine Tree, John Carter Brown Library Sale spec., 5/20-21/76, L.503 (plated) with VF or better surviving det., but with "extensive regions of streaky planchet defects--" On balance, would call present spec. better.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: AVF to XF DATE: 1786

REV: AVF to XF Miller No.: 5^1-H^1 #2

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: (R^5)(HiR^6)

EAC'75 L.No. 40@$415. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers-Dies from comp.

Die Cutter(s): hubs by A.Buel, hand finished by workmen adding colons, ornaments.

Diameter: 28.9 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm

Weight: 8.9 Grams; 137.35 Grains

EX: Harry Rescigno, American Rose Rare Coins, Ex. Robert M. Martin; EX. Stack's Sale June 18-19, 1981. (R.M.M.'s list states :Plated", but I do not find plate for this in Cat.)

Lot No.: 54 Grade VF Date Acq. 3-19-86

Ser. No. US 32650 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck off-center toward 11:00, or so, so that TORI gradually runs off flan, and very top of C of CONNEC IS JUST OFF, on a minutely granular med. to dark brown patinated flan with no flaws. Very sharply struck in ares which qualify for an XF grade (mail, NNEC, upper wreath, AU) but others barely VF (CTORI, CO), however, this coin is evidently from an early state of this die and has unusual strength through the lower face region, lower wreath, and ribbons. Most examples seen have the detail in this area practically obliterated by bulging of the die. The die break through ORI is faintly

visible.

REVERSE: Struck off-center toward 9:00, or so, so that INDE is right on edge of flan, bottom of date just off the flan, but mostly visible and strong. As on the obv., detail ranges from AVF to strong XF, with only the globe lines and skirt folds being at lower end of that range.

SEcond finest known to me after the plated UNC in NN 51st Sale, L.71, which exhibits rather numerous mineral inclusion die flaws across the obv. head of the bust. Present coin is free of these; which is unusual for this die var. Cf. the EAC'75spec., L. 40.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: ~~VG-8 to AVF-20~~ DATE: 1786

REV: VG-8 to XF-40 Miller No. 5.2-H.1

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: R5/R6/hiR5 R.RAG 1,N

EAC'75 L.No. 4P/G/F,145. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers

Die Cutter(s): A.Buel comp. hubs, incl. leg./dates, hand finished by workmen, apprentices, etc.

Diameter: 28.20 x 28.0 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm

Weight: ~~9.0~~ 9.93 Grams; 153.24 Grains N: 153.5

EX: Bowers & Merena, Norweb II Collection. rec'd 3.24.91

not plated.

Lot No.: 2479 Grade VF-20 Date Acq. 3-25-88

Ser. No. US 54C689 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike; rich golden brown; no important flan defects, two areas of reddish coloration resembling sealing wax in left shoulder mail and in AUC, not detracting; AUCTORI light, die bulging in ORI; right side detail considerably sharper than left; only faint evidence of hair and wreath detail evident.

REVERSE: Struck off-center to 9:00, or so, so that INDE right on edge of flan; sharp, bold denticles 12:00 to 4:00; except for the area of the date, which is opposite the deteriorating obverse die, most detail is a strong XF-40, with wear evident only on highest portions of

the design; some mint blush evident in protec areas; I of INDE weak; date and nearby areas only vestigial; no neck , or only faintest evidence of one visible, evidently as made, cf. the AU Hall-Brand spec, L. 2351 of Taylor Sale (M.5.1-H.1)XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXas well as the 5.1-H.1, L. 2352.

This may, arguably, be the finest known of a die combination which, I believe to be, much rarer than generally supposed. Accepting W. Breen's statement in the '75 EAC Sale catalogue that EAC L. 41 is "apparently from the Bower's 1972 lists at well into three figures." ($129.), then I have records of only four: a "good" in Bowers & Ruddy, "Rare Coin REview", No. 12, Sept.-Oct., 1972 (also, No. 19); the Hall-Brand spec., L. 72, NN 51st Sale, 6/19-20/58, later. Taylor Sale, L. 2352; the '75 EAC Sale spec., L. 41 and the present Norweb spec.. Miller, presumably, had one, or had seen one or, possibly, more, since he rated it as only R5, only. Until more appear, I will rate it high R7.

While the Hall-Brand spec. (Taylor, L. 2352) is an earlier die state, and is more evenly stru up, it was struck on an execrable flan so, on balance, would rate present spec. as finest known. At least this is second finest known to me.

CONNECTICUT rewrite GW

GRADE: OBV: ~~FTC VF-20~~ AU-55 DATE: 1786

REV: ~~VF-20~~ AU-55 Miller No.: 5^2 - I #2

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: (R^3) (R^3)

C '75 Lot No.: 42@$110. M. Plate No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers. Die Cutter(s): Comp. hubs of A. Buel finished by workmen etc.

Diameter: ~~28.80~~ 28.27 X 28.35 mm Thickness: ~~.075 in.~~ 1.50 mm

Weight: ~~8.20~~ 7.93 Grams; ~~126.55~~ 122.38 Grains Recd: 3.24.91

EX: ~~A. Terranova, Bay State Coin Show, Boston~~, MASS.

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. ~~3 3 85~~

Ser. No. US 21603 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike on a warm, red tan brown flan with a moderate area of the usual mineral inclusion striae in neck and left shoulder mail, not detracting a great deal. Legend , mail etc. have sharpness of ~~a high VF~~ AT LEAST XF-40, however, the interior upper head detail is not struck up. ~~VERY LE~~ NO EVIDENCE OF ACTUAL WEAR.

REVERSE: Very strong, nearly perfectly centered strike, with only the most minor of the flan irr egularities for which this die combination is known. Nearly full strong date. Flan roughness is centered in field between branch and shoulder and head of the figure. ~~Under glass~~ there are few

~~there are a few tiny spots of green verdegris here and there, not otherwise visible.~~

Only ~~12ii~~ 12 in G.C.P. survey to date. Possibly, is rarer than indicated. Present piece may be in the condition census.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F-15 DATE: 1786

REV: F-12 Miller No.: 5^{2}-L *

TYPE/NICKNAME: Rarity: Rm^{6} ($Reac^{7}$)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 43 445 M. Plate No.: II, #25 (5^{10}-L)

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers Comp. hubs by A. Buel Die Cutter(s): punct. etc. added by Workmen added.

Diameter: ~~28.4~~ 28.61 x 28.22 mm Thickness: 1.30 mm

Weight: 7.30 Grams; ~~118.66~~ 111.88 Grains recd: 3.24.91

*Called 5^{12}-L by Miller.

EX: Robert A. Vlack, Bay State Show, Boston (V Lot. No. 5)

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 3/19/84

Ser. No. US 8752 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike on a smooth but finely granular planchet with no defects; light tan color. Die buckle obliterates "UC" of "AUCTORI".

REVERSE: Upset 180° Pl. similar to obv., slight striae near "D" of "INDE", nearly full date; "DE" light, as is "LIB"; other detail all clear but somewhat soft appearing.

Fine appearances (to 3-26-84) in GCP census but fairly high condition level in census.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-20 DATE: 1786

REV: VF-30 Miller No.: $5^2 - 0^2$ *

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: (R^5) (R^6) (R^{7-8})

C '75 Lot No.: 44@$320. M. Plate No.: *G.C.P. UR:CON R-6

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers Die Cutter(s): Hubs of Coppers A. BUel, comp. by workmen, etc.

Diameter: 28.34 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm

Weight: 9.24 Grams; 142.59 Grains

EX: Pine Tree Rare Coin Auction Sales; EX B.&R., Rare Coin REview, No. 14, APR.-May, 1972, P.58 (probably)

Lot No.: 65 Grade AVF Date Acq. 9-11-85

Ser. No. US 2904 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a flan with no important problems. However, there is a narrow streak of mineral inclusion striae from about 6:00 O'clock, vertically across chest mail of the bust, about 10MM, scarcely noticeable except under a glass, and the flan has a finely granular surface, but so fine as to appear smooth and glossy, except under magnification. Medium red-brown toning, with some bright high lights. The characteristic die bulge all but obliterates AU of AUCTORI. The first N of CONNEC is mostly vestigial. Otherwise, all details are sharp and quite strong and evidencing little

actual wear. Slight weakness in the center leaves of the wreath and hair of the figure is due to striking, I believe. High points of the left shoulder mail are razor-sharp andshow no wear.

REVERSE: Similar flan and color.No important flan defects except a natural 6MM cleft (pre-striking) from edge at 6:00, between 17 and 86 of date and piercing the globe, not distracting DE of INDE fairly well struck-up, but the interior detail not defined due to the die bulge opposite these letters on the ~~reverse~~ obverse. Struck slightly toward 5:00, or so, so that ET is right on the edge of the flan and LIB are very slightly off the edge.All detail is at least of VF sharpness, again, evidencing actual wear only on the highest points of the figure's bust, right knee, branch hand, and branch.

Possibly, the finest known of only ~~three~~ six two?see below known to me, the others being EAC, '75 Sale, Lot 44 and the Bowers and Ruddy, R.C.R. No. 14 (P. 58) specimen. See Gr & Tan. Cond. Census.

The E.A.C. spec. (graded: n early VF) has roughly the same strength (obv,) but the first N of CONNECXIS is gone completely. However, the obverse die bulge has not affected AU of AUCTORI as yet on the EAC coin, nor is the neck bulge visible in the plate. Inspite of the granularity, however,flan of present specimen

seems far smoother and free of problems, and leaves of the wreath at center are clearly stronger. It is on the reverse, however, that the superiority of present coin becomes most obvious. The EAC spec. appears quite rough; ET LIB is barely discernible as is punctuation after INDE. Additionally, there are three rather heavy scratches from figure's right shoulder to rim. In about every respect, the figure, globe and shield detail of present example is far sharper. Turning to the B.& R., R.C.R. NO. 14(P.58) spec. (graded VF-EF) it is, possibly, the same coin, although the plate leaves something to be desired. The only obvious difference discernible is an apparent flan defect in form of a "V" in the eye of the bust. However, this may be a camera trick as, at a precise angle, the brighter highlighted high areas below and around the eye of present coin take the shape of a "V". On balance, I feel that they are the same coins.

If so, this reduces the specimens known to me to two.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-30 DATE: 1786

where struck up REV: VF-30 Miller No.: 5^3-B^2

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL"Hercules Head" Rarity: (R^6)(R^8)

EAC'75 L.No. 62 @$620. M.Pl.No.: II,21

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers

Die Cutter(s): A.Buel hub heavily recut,high rel.

Diameter: 28.9 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 8.05 Grams; 124.23 Grains

EX: McLaughlin & Robinson Sale No.4160,9/13/86;

Ex.L. 62 1975 EAC Sale, ~~Lot 62~~. (Ent. accompanies)

Lot No.: 30 Grade _____ Date Acq. 11-12-86

Ser. No. US215681 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike on a slightly ellipticle, smooth, medium brown flan with no defects worth mentioning except an old,toned-over cut or scratch directly over the top of the wreath, almost unnoticeable. As noted in the EAC Catalogue,slightly less sharp than the Miller plate coin, but present specimen is free of the major planchet flaw in the left obverse field of the Miller coin (see CNL,July, 1969,p. 13 for an enlarged ill. of the Miller coin from the Elder cat. of the Miller coll. Sale,present whereabouts unknown).

REVERSE: Similar centering, strike, coloration, flan etc.to obv.Where struck up, the detail is of VF to Xf strength and sharpness.However, the bulging of the rev. die has progressed

to what probably was a terminal state. The bulging field across the area from the end of IN to the E of ETLIB noticeable in the Miller plate coin and which, in the Garrett plate coin (Sale II Lot 1345) is seen to be progressing around the rev. field clockwise, has now encircled the die, obliterating the outer design elements of the central figure. However, the legend, date, and interior detail of the figure are of at least VF sharpness.

Only the second specimen known of this variety. The Miller spec. was catalogued by Elder as unique. The third is the Garrett specimen which he obtained from the Col. James W. Ellsworth Co.

1786. M.5.3-B.2, R-8. Obv. actually from the regular Buel hub but heavily recut to produce high relief and very strongly marked features. Rev. no colons. Nearly VF, weakened by severe die failure as on the Miller Plate coin (obv. illustrated as lot 1838, Miller sale rev. pictured in Miller-Ryder) but in a still more advanced state. Small old scratch above head, not affecting the pleasing medium steel color. Slightly less sharp than the Miller coin but free of the severe planchet defect, on the

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Investment Advisor

Jim Ray

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-20 DATE: 1786

REV: (?) see desc. Miller No.: 5^{3}-N

TYPE/NICKNAME: "Hercules Head" Rarity: (Rm^{3}) ($Reac^{4}$ low)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 64 M. Plate No.: II, #22

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers See CNL #39 2/74 pp 423-434 Die Cutter(s): Abel Buel & finished by workmen who added punctuation ETC.

Diameter: 28.07 x 28.26 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: ~~8.70~~ 8.56 Grams; ~~134.20~~ 132.10 Grains Rechd: 3.24.91

EX: Mike Ringo - 2/7/84

Lot No.: Grade VF Date Acq. 2/7/84

Ser. No. US 32405 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck slightly toward 1:00 on a fairly smooth, dark brown planchet; however, there is a group of small planchet cracks in front of Hercules' face and a few tiny ones below "NN" of "CONNEC". Apparently, double struck, as Ringo's description states. Double striking can be seen in doubling of hair back left of fillets and fillets themselves in back center of head, indicating that the strikes were about 90° displaced counter clockwise. Also, some of the apparent planchet defects in field in front of Hercules' face appear to be the top of head, wreath forehead and beginning of nose. Also, the outline of the shoulder mail is below "NNE" Interesting!!

REVERSE: A very late state of the clashed die with a large area of rusted pitting in center of figure plus two long planchet cracks from beneath figure's arm to rim at 8:00 or so. An example of brockage. The obverse "AUCTORI" legend in case appears sharply defined in NW quardrant and other lettering ~~its~~ in a jumble from 2:00 o'clock around to 9:00, or so. Some of these other details, I assume, are from the clashed reverse die, i.e. the brockage occurred on a flan previously struck from the badly clashed rev. die.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F to VF (av. VF-30) DATE: 1786

REV: Same Miller No.: 53-N (Early Die St.)

TYPE/NICKNAME: "Hercules Head" Rarity: (R7) this state

C '75 Lot No. 64 (lated. s. M. Plate No.: II, 22 (early

NT Company for Coining Die Cutter(s) Comp. hubs

Coppers of A. Buel, inc. leg., dates, comp. by app. & workmen

Diameter: 28.0 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 8.85 Grams; 137.26 (33.49) Grains

EX: Heritage Rare Coin Galleries, Fixed Price List. (@$475.)

Lot No.: Grade: VF-20 Date Acq. 1-20-86

Ser. No. US43004 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck moderately off center toward 6:00 so that lowest point of bust is slightly off the flan, on amedium steel-brown flan with no defects save a fine striation from edge in front of C of 'CONNEC and ending at edge of hair. Fields are smooth, tho very finely granular, under a glass. Condition ranges from about XF details (AUCTORI, right shoulder mail, face) to VF (CONNEC, left shoulder mail) to only F or even VG (wreath, hair). VF-30, overall is justified, I feel.

REVERSE: About perfectly centered strike; no flan prooe

problems save a few fine striae across head, left shoulder and pole arm and some finely granul areas under a glass; warm, medium brown color. Except for the typical lightly struck area between top of the shield and pole arm, all de detail is present with sharpness ranging from AXF (INDE,branch, branch arm) through VF (ET-LIB, full date,lower figure, shield frame and stand) to F-12 or so (globe, head). Tied for 2d ~~The~~ finest known to me of the early die state 5^3-N's. (See HA text C, Cows) Appears superior to the Miller PlateII coin, both as to the obv. and reverse although the darkness of the photo makes comparison difficult. Lot 136 in Lester Merkin's October 31, 1973 Sale is about equal on the obv., though Merkin's has a prominent flaw across nose and cheek,but the important reverse is much inferior, especially the right half of the figure, globe, shield, etc. Only the tops of the date are visible, and there are many striae through the upper left field.Lot 55 of the Superior, Charles L. Ruby Coll. Sale, Feb. 11-13, 1974 is about equal obv. but the details of the rev. central device are far weaker.The foregoing are the only plated specimens in G.C.P. survey, to date. The only other early, pre-die clash example is the unplated , Lot 118 in Stack's, Robison Sale, Feb. 10-13,1982 graded Fine.

5^3-N in this die state is extremely rare, probably R^7, at least. Of thirty-three examples of 5^3-N in survey to date, only the above four are pre-die clash specimens. Not in EAC Sale or most of the large Connecticut collections which have come to market. There are, however, a VG and a F in the Robert M. Martin collection making a total of six known to me. Described in Robison as "much rarer than" the post-clash 5^3-N. Also, in Ruby described as "Extremely rare early impression, before the dies clashed--"

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CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1786

MILLER NO.: 5.3 - N

GRADE: OBVERSE: AXF-40*

REVERSE: AXF-40

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL "Hercules Head" RARITY: EDS: R-6-7?

EAC '75 LOT No. 64 M. PL. No. II, #22

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers

Die Cutters: Abel Buel, punctuation, etc. added by workmen, apprentices, etc.

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.04 Vert: 27.85 Thickness: 1.89 mm

WT.: 8.77 Grams: 135.34 Grains: right Die Rot.: 5 °

EX.: Stack's Sale: 6-8-94, PLATED.

Lot No.: 37 Cat. Grade: VF Date Acq.: 6-8-94

GCP Ser. No. US 9558 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Well centered strike, though a trifle toward 6:00, or so, so that bottom of mail right on edge or just off the flan on a pleasing gold-brown (Cat.: "olive brown") flan in contrast to the usually seen slate gray for this variety. There are hints of apparent mint-bloom here and there. A boldly struck coin with most details at XF-40 sharpness except for the

central head, wreath detail. Unfortunately, there are several hairline scratches, mostly, across the upper head and adjacent fields, but well toned-over and not over-distracting. Note: Cat. has these on the reverse.

REVERSE: Similarly, sharply struck and nice surfaces but the usual weakness in central figure where die was sinkinking. However, detail is much stronger than usually seen. There is a SMALL natural flan flaw in left part of the globe. Peripheral detail is extraordinarily sharp and bold with a full, strong date. Discounting, the obverse scratches, a condition census early die state example and, as such, probably R-6 to R-7. Very close to or equal to the Stack's, T. Henry Allen Sale, 2-4-77, L. 26 (plated) used by W. Breen as his plate for this variety and rated #1 in GCP Tent. Condition Census.

Lot No. 37

Comparing CRP ~~4~~ 5 Ex.: 1280 / M 54_G

Obv	Rev
about open { 1 less well-cut but flow rough. cl. die?	1 Best punct, nearly full date, best centering, settling rim-type die
4 more well-cut, but sm. glossy fl ~~clashforce~~ TONE ~~NUCLEY~~	4
3	3 Best date, possible clashes but nicely retoning
5	5
2	2

CONNECTICUT

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MBL

GRADE: OBV: VF-30+ MILLER NO.: 5^4-G(No. 1)
REV: VF-30+ RARITY: EAC: R^2
nearly XF-40 RARITY: M: R^2
EAC '75 Lot No. 45 M. Plate NO. Not Plated*
Diameter: 28.28x28.67 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm
Weight: 9.16 Grams; 148.9 Grains
Ex: Metropolitan Rare Coin Exchange, Inc., Auct. ANA 8-26-73

*Rev. G is P.L. II No. 19
Obv. 5^4 is Pl. II, No. 23

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq.
Ser. No. U.S. 9502 Value: as of
Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

GENERAL: Medium brown planchet with lighter highlights of steely gray.

OBVERSE: Perfectly centered; planchet a little rough; legend strong, somewhat light in lower wreath; roughness appears to be from a rusted die, also in EAC, Lot 45(?),

REVERSE: Smooth appearing, glossy planchet; but slight granularity under glass; nice detail; nice strong date; overall, an attractive coin; no period between "ET" and "LIB", Crosby plate shows none. See No. 3 below.

CONNECTICUT

#1

GRADE: OBV: AVF-20 DATE: 1786

REV: AVF-20 Miller No.: 5 - N

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: R7

EAC'75 L.No. 46 @ $210. M.Pl.No.: II,23.22

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers

Die Cutter(s): Comp. hubs: A.Buel, leg./dates incl. punct., orn. by workmen.

Diameter: 28.00 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 8.99 Grams; 138.74 Grains CAT.: 138.9 GR.

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EX: Frederick B. Taylor Collection Sale, Bowers & Merena,

Lot No.: 2360 Grade VG-8! Date Acq. 3-27-87

Ser. No. US 32485 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a finely granular flan which is generally quite good but with vertical planchet fissures in forehead of the figure with hairline extensions into lower face and from wreath to rim, not unduly distracting from a pleasing example of a rare Connecticut. Most other details are of VF-20, at least, strength, though the left shoulder mail is not struck-up. There appears to be an unpublished break in the first N of CONNEC, DESTROYING THE crossbar and making the N appear as H. I believe that this can be seen in an earlier state in the EAC L. 46 plated coin. There also appears to be a die flaw in the center of the final C of CONNEC which can be seen in the EAC spec.; also, in B.&R, RCR, 14, p.58.

plated spec. as well as in the Miller Plate coin.
REVERSE: Struck very slightly O.C. to 6:00, affecting only the very bottoms of the date numerals. Dark olive-brown patination; all details not obscured by die failure are of VF-20-30 sharpness, with only Ms. Lib's left elbow and shoulder being obscured by bulging of the rev. die in that region. Full sharp lines of latitude and longitude on globe; nearly full sharp date; legend and punctuation quite strong. Possibly, only a trifle below the EAC, L.46 coin overall. Somewhat better than the Bowers RCR No. 14, P.58 plated spec. graded VF $3295. in 1972. While W. Breen in EAC Cat. mentions "--about seven reported to date,--", GCP census (to date) lists only five, of which this may be second best. In any case, certainl Condition Census for this rare variety.

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CONNECTICUT 1786

Gnc

GRADE: OBV: Au-50 MILLER NO.: 5^4-O^1 (No. 2)
REV: AU-50 RARITY: EAC: R^2
RARITY: M: R^2

EAC '75 Lot No. 47 M. Plate No. II No. 23
Diameter: 28.22 x 28.26 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm
Weight: 8.788 ~~8.95~~ Grams; ~~138.06~~ Grains 135.58 gr.
Ex: Anthony Terronova, Bay State Coin Show, Boston, MA May , 1983 rcvd: 3.24.91

Lot No.: Grade: Date Acq. 5/83
Ser. No. U.S. 84006 Value:$ as of
Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: A strong, sharp strike on a medium brown, smooth, glossy planchet with no defects; coin struck 10% or so off center toward 5:00. 2nd "N" of "CONNEC" right on rim and "E" about half off planchet, with "C" two thirds off; however, legend, mail, hair, wreath and all other detail as strong and sharp as any Connecticut I have ever seen; almost no actual wear visible except, possibly, in highest points of hair and leaves of wreath, although this could be as well attributed to light striking.

REVERSE: Beautiful! Much better centered strike, slightly toward 1:00 or so; one-half of "E" of "ET" off planchet and "T" on edge; full strong sharp date and little/or no actual wear except, possibly in lines of globe, and highest points of legs, face of shield. Ornament after colon is clear and sharp. ~~A really extraordinary Connecticut Copper~~. Except for off-center obverse, coin appears to be at least equal to Miller plate coin and EAC coin, Lot 47. Note that both Miller and EAC specimens are also struck off-center. The EAC being about 3° or so off

*described as "finest known" @ $475.

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toward 5:30 or 6:00. Not in Garrett - 3.

CONNECTICUT

GW

GRADE: OBV: ~~XF-40~~ AU-50 DATE: 1786

REV: ~~XF-40~~ AU-50 Miller No.: 5^5-M #2 MBH

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: R1 (R^3)

EAC'75 L.No. 48 @ $100. M.Pl.No.: II, #24

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers

Die Cutter(s): A.Buel's comp. hubs, punct, workmen.

Diameter: 28.17 x 28.17 x mm Thickness: 1.40 x mm

Weight: 7.35 x Grams; 113.43 x Grains DIE ROT.: 10 R

EX: Peter Boisvert, Mayflower II, 19 Conn. lot.

Lot No.: 2 Grade Date Acq. 2-9-87

Ser. No. US No. 74/50 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck off center toward 11:00, or so, so, that TORI : are just on the edge of the flan, but not affected. Full denticles from about 3:00, or so, to 8:00, or so. A lovely flan with virtually no defects. Coloration is light tan with some apparent original mint bloom esp. in right field. Little actual wear evident exc. in breastplate and highest points of leaves of wreath.

REVERSE: Similar. Well centered strike on a flan with no defects save a minor edge flaw at 1:00, or so. Most details of XF-40 strength, Weakness in figure's legs from die bulge developing, and farther developed in GCP specimen No. 1. Wear is evident in highest points

of design.

Probably a later die state example of the reverse a break from rim (?) through upper left seriph of "D" of "INDE"through "D", center of "E" and into the figure after "INDE"; also, from foot of "?" up and to the right toward globe;also, from lower right leg of N of INDE toward figure's right knee.

Possibly, a candidate for finest known.

Probably, should be rated R.4-5,or so, judging from GCP census appearances.

CONNECTICUT

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GRADE: OBV: GTDAVF-20 DATE: 1786 COW #1

REV: SAME Miller No.: 5^6-M

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: (R^5) (R^6 Hi)

EAC'75 L.No. 49 @$185. M.Pl.No.: II($5^5$-M)

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers

Die Cutter(s): Comp. hubs of A.Buel, comp. by app. etc

Diameter: 28.~~66~~ x 28.22 mm Thickness: 1.50 mm

Weight: ~~7.95~~ 7.73 Grams; ~~119.60~~ 119.29 Grains rechd: 3.25.91

EX: Anthony Terranova, Boston Coin Show; Ex Price Trell, W. Breen '85 Sale, Lot 66 (plated)

Lot No.: _____ Grade _____ Date Acq. 3-1-86

Ser. No. US 1959 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: An uneven strike. Most of the upper left quadrant is weakly struck, affecting ORI, upper face and wreath FROM "MASSIVE CENT. OV. DICKING; however, the other three quarters are VF-20 to VF-30 in strength. Fairly major mineral inclusion flaws vertically from left shoulder into right field and back of head. Medium brown flan. Two or three tiny spots of verdegris. RADIAL DIE CRACKS FROM RIM TO O OF CONNEC; RIM TO LOWER RT. COR. OF ARMOR; 3 OTHERS IN FIELD BELOW RT. SHOULDER ARMOR.

REVERSE: Similar, in that the lower left quadrant (opposite the weak quadrant of the obverse) is also weak, affecting I of INDE and legs of Ms. Liberty. However, remainder of figure, legend, full date range from VG to VF.

A rare CONNECTICUT. Weaknesses are typical of the

variety. cf. the Garrett spec., L. 1347 although an earlier die state. Flan has no major problems, although there is a peppering of tiny striae more or less generally throughout but not unduly distracting. V. SMALL EDGE FLAW @ V. OD REV.

The diagnostic die breaks from point of left shoulder mail and back to upper last colon dot are clear on the obverse.

While no beauty, this is an acceptable example of a rare die combination. Only seven appearances to date in G.C.P. census, with a fairly low average condition. "FAR FINER THAN 1975 BAC. 49. HIGH COND. CENSUS FOR VAR. V. RARE (R-6) ALMOST ALWAYS IN LOW GRADES." PINE TREE 9-6-85, W. BREN 85 SALE, L. 66 THIS ABOUT EQUAL TO O:1048 ex. for obv. striae on this.

CONNECTICUT #4

Coll

GRADE: OBV: XF-40 DATE: 1786

REV: VG-8 to AXF *Miller No. 5.7 - H.1

TYPE/ NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: M:4/EAC:5/GCP:R6?

EAC'75 L.No. 50/VF/FtoVF@160 M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers - New Haven I

Die Cutter(s) Comp. hubs of A.Buel(leg. dates incl.) hand finished by apprentices, etc.

Diameter: 28.60 ~~31.14~~ x 29.18 mm Thickness: 1.50 M mm

Weight: 8.00 Grams: 123.46 Grains

recbd 3.25.91

M-TV245: 123.8 gr.

EX: Rosa Americana, Ltd., 1st FPL

Lot No.: 68 Grade XF Date Acq. 4-12-89

Ser. No. 549K57 Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck off-center toward 1:00 o'clock so that CO of CONNEC just on edge of the flan, no other design elements affected. Flan is finely granular under a glass, although appearing quite glossy. Coloration is somewhat mottled medium brown with greenish patches. All details are of XF-40 sharpness. Little, if any wear evident.

REVERSE: Rotated about 40°. Flan similar to obverse in coloration/or fine granularity. INDE quite strong, ET LIB less so but all there. Date is complete but light. Unfortunately, the figure is crossed from top to bottom with numerous fine

scratches, as from a wire brush, but well toned over and not visible except (with difficulty) under a gla

Accompanied by a Henry Chapman Sale envelope for Lot No. 1437 and indicating a price of $20.* and "V. Rare"

* A very high price

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July 31, 1984

Mr. George C. Perkins
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Hi George,

Received your check today along with your 1786 Miller 5^7-0^2 and was pleased to hear from you.

Before I forget, I will have a table at the Bay State Coin Show on August 24th to the 26th. Hope to see you there, we can chat a bit.

Enclosed an up-to-date running of your account which I have maintained since we started business.

Regarding your 5^7-0^2, this is a pretty rare piece, probably more so than the R-5 that Miller had given it. When Ned Barnsley purchased my original collection, he did not own this even though he already had over 310 varieties. I had one in my collection but don't think it was this nice. I don't recall having seen all of the 6 dots after INDE. The only other specimen I know of is one in the Ted Craige collection, and I don't know if it is still there. It may be the Bowers & Ruddy specimen. The EAC specimen is certainly not this one. And incidentally, this is certainly genuine, no problem with that, and it could be the finest known, though I would have to check with Ned Barnsley for that. Anyhow, congratulations on an excellent specimen.

This is obviously a reused die from another variety. There is significant recutting of the letters NEC, and the line above the head and CO is definately a die break or beginning of a die cud. Probably accounts for the scarcity as the die was breaking apart. It was undoubtedly buried somewhere to account for all the corrision spots. This doesn't bother me, and as you said, I too would call it an EF for the piece. I refrain the numbers bit, I simply do not believe in the numbers for Colonials.

In my notes, I have the following added information on for the 5^7-0^2. Die buckles or sinks between the colon and head obliterating the dots. IN close, E slightly below D. 0^2 was used with 5^7 first before use with 5^2 and 5^8.

Guess that's it for now.

Best regards,

CONNECTICUT

GLL #1

GRADE: OBV: ~~XF-40~~ (W) DATE: 1786

REV: VF-30 Miller No.: 5^{7}-0^{2}

TYPE/NICKNAME: Rarity: (Rm^{5}) ($Reac^{6}$)+

EAC '75 Lot No.: 51 @ 160 M. Plate No.: not plated

MINT: ~~Company for Coining Coppers~~, Rahway, N.J. Die Cutter(s): Hubs of A. Buel, colons & Ornaments added by workmen by hand

Diameter: ~~28.0~~ 27.87X ~~28.09~~ mm Thickness: 1.80 mm

Weight: 9.37 ~~9.50~~ Grams; ~~146.61~~ 144.60 Grains rocked: 3.25.91

EX: Paul Kagin, Ltd. June '84 fixed price list

Ex. Kagin's GENA sale 9-28/10-1-78 for $1644 "Sharpness of EF but overall a blessy VF-30 grade" envelope of coins

Lot No.: Grade XF as to* Wear Date Acq. 7- -84

Ser. No. US 42450 Value: as of

Source of Value:

*St. from rusted dies on a rough planchet, some verd." (can't see it)

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck very slightly to 6:00, or so, on a finely granular, medium ~~to dark~~ OLIVE brown flan showing very little, if any, signs of actual wear. All detail strong, sharp and bold, includ hair of bust, wreath, entire legend and mail. Die break across neck is very pronounced - no important flan defects. There is a shallow, pit like defect in field just below nose with a tiny point of green verdegris at its center. There is a (Natural?) thick spot at the edge from about 1:00 to 2:00, or so, possibly resulting from a crumbling of the obverse die at that point. (Per RA Vlach "-- a die break or beginning of a die cud.") GENA Cat.: "well advanced die break over "C"

ALL six of dots after the colon, more thus,

OFFSET 45° TO W.

REVERSE: Similarly strong and sharp. All detail present and bold, including full, sharp globe lines, date, drapery, etc. Struck somewh to 11:00, or so, so that tops of "IN" and upper 1/3, or so, of "ND" are off flan. A cluster of raised dots caused by rusty die between "IN" and figure's skirt, in front of her face and between pole and head, not unduly detracting from what may be the best or one of the best known 5/-0/2. See RA Lockhelle of CERTAIN-U ~ 7-31-84, Oklahoma

There are only 2 EAC specimens in G.C.P. survey to date, both from the Bowers & Ruddy, R.C.R. No. 15 list of Aug. - Sept. '72 - one @ Abt. F., the other VF-EF - "some striae Obv." (Ex Miller) W. Breen in the EAC '75 Cat. states "-- this is believed to be the second one from the same source" (i.e. the B & R, RCR #15 list). If so, would limit the number in survey to 3, including the present coin. Evidently this is not the VF-EF of Bowers as there are no striae.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F-15 to VF-20 DATE: 1786

REV: Same Miller No.: 5 - F

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: (R^5) (R^6)

C '75 Lot No.: $675. M. Plate No.: None

NT: Company for Coining Die Cutter(s): Comp. hubs

Coppers /of A.BUEl, inc. leg., dates, punct. by workmen, app. etc.

Diameter: mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 8. Grams; Grains

EX: C.W.Brown, Shreveport, La., Mail Bid Sale.

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 1-7-83

Ser. No. US 1507 Value: as of

urce of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a finely granular/flan with no defects other than a few trivial fine striae in and below first N of CONNEC AND A FEW on rim at 7:00, or so, plus a tiny edge nick at 4:30, or so, all noted only for strict accuracy and later identification. ALL design elements are present and ranging from F-15 to VF -20, or so, in sharpness, making this possibly the finest known in this respect. However, the finely granular, medium brown with slate-gray overtones possibly does not have the "eye appeal" of the Ex J.Turoff, L.547

(G.C.P. COL.,No.2).

REVERSE: Struck somewhat toward 12:00,or so, so that DE and ET are right on the edge but are not affected, on a similarly finely gran flan without defects save a couple of hairl striae across Ms. Liberty's neck,pole hand and E of ET,another at rim over her head and an even finer one from rim between ET and LIB, none detracting. Again, the design is complete and F-15TO VF-30 in sharpness. That this is an early state of the dies is indicated both by the completeness of the design and the smallness of the die bulge above "86", leaving a full date, unusual in this variety.

Condition Census, arguably, a candidate for finest known.

A rare Connecticut.Only 10 in G.C.P. census to date, incl. G.C.P. specimens, although W.Breen lists a few others in E.A.C. Cat.

Super rare in this state of the dies. ONLY ONE KNOWN TO ME WITH COMPLETE DESIGN.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: AF to VF-30 DATE: 1786

REV: F-15 to AXF-40 Miller No.: 5[8] - F #2

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: (R[5]) (R[6]) JRC3 #CR5

C '75 Lot No.: 52@$675. M. Plate No.: None

MINT: Company for Coining Die Cutter(s) Comp, hubs

Coppers of A. Buel, inc. leg., dates, punct. by

Diameter: 28.07 mm Thickness: 1.60 mm workmen, etc.

Weight: 8.61 Grams; 132.87 Grains

EX: Jack H. Beymer, "Coin World" ad. List 12/4/85; Ex Bowers & Ruddy, Julius Turoff Coll. Sale, 10/1,2/76, L. 547. (plated) (flip card accompanies).

Lot No.: -- Grade F-15 Date Acq. 12-13-85

Ser. No. US 32004 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike, though a trifle toward 11:00, or so,, on a nice light tan flan with no defects except a trivial edge cut at 7:00. Flan is smooth and glossy. However, unevenly struck with some details of VF to XF sharpness (left shoulder mail, ORI, NEC, wreath, facial details) while others are much weaker (AUCT, CON, hair). However it is a pleasing example of this usually unevenly struck variety.

REVERSE: Similar flan and coloration. No flan defects except a trace of the obv. edge defect at 11:00. Generally, much stronger and more evenly struck than the obv. Weakness appears only

in tops of .NDE , although lower left part of the shield, globe and tops of "86" of date are obscured by a die bulge in that region, as is to be seen in the plated examples listed in G.C.P. census.Also, the characteristic small die pellet in Ms. Liberty's left leg is present. Date is full except for tops of"86", as noted above.

AS stated in the J. Turoff Catalogue, this is a condition census piece, and, possibly,the finest known. Certainly, overall and on balance it is superior to any of the plated coins in G.C.P. census to date.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-30+ DATE: 1786 #3

REV: VF-30 Miller No.: $5^8 - H^2$

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: (R^5) (R^{Hi6-7})

C '75 Lot No.: 53@160. M. Plate No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Die Cutter(s): Comp.

Coppers hubs of Abel Buel (leg., datesinc.

Diameter: 27.80 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm

Weight: 9.15 Grams; 141.21 Grains

EX: Bowers and Merena, Murray, et al Sale

WHERE IT WAS ESTIMATED @ $450-500. (SLATED)

Lot No.: 1805 Grade VF Date Acq. 9-10-85

Ser. No. US 31452 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Quite nice, strong strike, though off-center toward 11:00, or so, so that CT of AUCTORI is right on the edge of the flan, while ORI tops are just off the flan. Medium brown, with just a touch of green verdegris under the chin of the figure. All details are strong, sharp and bold, the flan without any defects other than a few trivial evidences of moderate circulation.

REVERSE: A well centered strike on a nice, fairly glossy flan with no problems. A trifle off centering to 6:00 results on bottoms of date being off the flan. A break runs through bases of letters of INDE (see Garrett spec., L.1348,

(color plate). Another runs across upper left portion of smooth part of the shield.
Probably a condition Census specimen of this scarce Connecticut die variety. Only ten in G.C.P. Census, to date, 4 plated. The Crosby/ Garrett spec., L.1348 is only slightly sharper (obv.) and shows more extensive flan defects at bottom rim. Present coin has a considerably stronger reverse, particularly in the lower half with most of the globe lines visible as well as the lower skirt hem, sharp shield frame, etc. Additionally, present example has a far cleaner, smoother flan with only minor edge disturbance at 1:00. Garrett was called "-- far finer than any of the few specimens examined by Richard Picker or ourselves despite---planchet defects--

The B&R, Turoff Sale (10-1-76, L.548) ex. obv. is less sharp, lower central bust area, has scr. below A, and has ORI and CON either at or partly off flan. Rev. flan is very rough and upper figure far less well-defined than present ex., and has scr.s l. left.

The B.& R., R.C.Rev., No. 14, P. 58 (Apr. May, '72) ex. seems considerably below present spec., although plate leaves something to be desired. The EAC '75, L. 53 spec. obv. is dark, more off-center, has "shallow nicks". Rev. is v unevenly struck, with a number of flan defects. Present ex. may, on balance, claim to be superior to any of the above. Only other VF is the AVF in NN 51st Sale, L. 75 "boldly struck "on poor, rough planchet, cracked at

STRIKING. 3 of finest known Dme C
dale see HCP Jewels. C.C.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-20 to XF-40 DATE: 1786

REV: Same Miller No.: 5^{8}-0^{2} #2 *

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: R^{3} R^{4-5})

EAC'75 L.No. 54@$55. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers.

Die Cutter(s): Dies from comp. hubs by A.BUEL(leg., dates incl., w/ punct. addaed by workmen, app., etc.

Diameter: 28.0 mm Thickness: 1.60 mm

Weight: 8.2 Grams; 126.70 Grains

* Rarity probably R^{6}, at least.

EX: ~~Anthony Terranova, Boston Coin Show; Ex. Mike Ringo; Ex. Boers and Merena, Inc., Ezra Cole Sale, L. 1189, 1/23-25/86.~~ (Plated)

Lot No.: Grade VF-20 Date Acq. 3-1-86

Ser. No. US 21952 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Perfectly centered strike on a lovely medium brown, fairly glossy flan with no natural flan defects save a tiny edge indentation above I of AUCTORI, noted only for strict accuracy. Under a glass, there are fairly numerous hair-line scratches scattered about the obv. surface, well toned over and not visible except under a glass, and not unduly detracting from a lovely CONNECTICUT with great "eye appeal". All design details are well and evenly struck up and range from VF-20 to AXF-40 in sharpness.

REVERSE: Similar as to centering, lack of natural flan defects, coloration and general

superior appearance. Strength of the design is, if anything, a tad better than the obv. No mint origin defects other than the characteristic die bulge between INDE: and Ms. Liberty's head which WHILE FAIRLY ADVANCED, has not yet affected any design elements. A minor discordant note is a hairline old, well toned-over scratch from left upright of N of INDE across left field and Liberty's breast, scarcely noticeable except under a glass.

Probably, the finest known to me of a variety I believe to be much rarer than the Miller and Breen/E.A.C. ratings. Only six, incl. GCP 2 spec. to date in GCP census. ONly the unplated M. Rothert Sale, L. 230 spec. (A.A.A., Inc., 11-16-73) "VF*EF" (this spec. ?) @$29. (Av., Lot of 45 COnnec's) may be better. See tent. Cond. Census in G.C.P. List.

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#3 coll

CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1786

MILLER NO.: 5.9 - B.1

GRADE: OBVERSE: VF-20 to AXF-40

REVERSE: Same

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL RARITY: R-6

EAC '75 LOT No. 55 M. PL. No. None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers.

Die Cutters: Comp. hubs of A. Buel, hand finished by workmen adding ornaments, etc.

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.61 Vert: 28.25 Thickness: 1.93 mm

WT.: 9.64 Grams 148.77 Grains: right Die Rot.: 37 °

EX.: Jeff Rock, Rosa Americana, Lrd. 8th FPL, Spring '93, L.66

Lot No.: 66 Cat. Grade: "XF" Date Acq.: 6-10-93

GCP Ser. No. [redacted] Val. $ _____, as of _____

Source of value: [redacted]

USC59X97

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Struck slightly toward 1:30, or so, so that CON right on edge of the flan, but no details affected, on a very pleasing light to medium brown, glossy flan; smooth, with none of the flan defects which prevail in this variety. However, the obverse rim from about 3:00 to 10:00, or so, is crimped upward, evidently from the edge being subjected to light blows from a hammer (?) although I do not rule out a ~~autoblem~~ PROBLEM with a "cookie cutter" planchet

cutter*Boldly struck, although ORI is weak as is wreath and hair detail.* See Taylor, L. 2374 having same "planchet cutter lip."

REVERSE: Similar. Nearly all details bold and sharp except that date (opposite the weak ORI on the obverse, is only vestigially to be seen. Virtually no flan defects worth mention,

A high Condition Census specimen of this variety which has a very low average condition. Called Third Finest" by Jeff Rock in his FPL., I would make it Fourth after Taylor, 2374; Picker Ref. 2625 and Oechsner, 1054. However, all these have more or less problems and it is a case of weighing pluses and minuses and ones own preferece.

CONNECTICUT

Cole #2

GRADE: OBV: F-15, some det. AVF DATE: 1786

REV: AVF-20 Miller No. 5.9 - L

TYPE/ NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: M: R; EAC: R8; T: HI R7 JR: H: R7

EAC'75 L.No. 57 M.Pl.No.: Unknown to M.

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers

Die Cutter(s) Complete hubs of A. Buel-colons, ornaments by workmen

Diameter: 28.08X28.15 mm Thickness: 1.60 mm

Weight: 8.78 Grams: 135.03 Grains 135.50 vchd: 3.25.91

EX: Kennebunk Coins & Currency, Kennebunk, Me., Auburn Coin Show.

Lot No.: _____ Grade _____ Date Acq. 12-10-89

Ser. No. US55X00 Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Quite well-centered strike; gray-brown flan which is somewhat granular; three old, fine and well toned-over scratches; mouth to upright of T; back of head to rim between O & N of CONNEC; short one, rim toward top of wreath, none particularly obtrusive. A fairly advanced state of the deterioration of the obv. die: AUC quite sharp, T a little less so, ONNEC obliterated by bulge from caving of the die; CON light, NEC there but seemingly only vestigial, due to bulging apparently beginning to appear in that region. Bust detail is mostly quite good, 'though a trifle fuzzy.

REVERSE: Far stronger than obv.; medium gray-brown coloration, finely granular fields; free from important flan defects, save a mineral inclusion striation from underside of branch arm into Ms. Lib.'s lap & a fine, toned-over scratch: T to sash. Left half about VF-20 or 30; right side softer, but all design elements visible and perhaps F- 12 or better; full, sharp date, date-line.

Evidently, this is second finest of only five specimens presently known. See GCP tentative Condition Census. The known specimens are: (in order of condition) B&R, Taylor Sale, L. 2375; GCP Coll., Spec. No. 2; GCP Coll., Spec. No. 1; Pine Tree, '76 EAC Sale, 3-5-76, L.2131; "Private Collector", per ERB, CNL, 3/84, P. 28, announcing discovery. (Philip Keller?). Condition unknown as to last.

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CONNECTICUT

COLL

II 4

DATE: 1786

MILLER NO.: 5.9 - Q

GRADE: OBVERSE: F-12 ~~VF-20 LGE FL FLAW OBV~~

REVERSE: ~~VF-20~~ VF--30

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL RARITY: R - 6

EAC '75 LOT No. 56 M. PL. No. ~~None~~ IN TEXT P. 19

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers

Die Cutters: Dies from comp. hubs of A. Buel, leg./ dates included, punct., ornaments, etc. by wk'men

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.01 Vert: 27.96 Thickness: 1.52 mm

WT.: 7.55 Grams: 116.5 Grains: _____ Die Rot.: Norm°.

EX.: R. Picker Ref. Coll., Stack's Sale, 7-22-92

Lot No.: 2626 Cat. Grade: net/ch. F Date Acq.: 7-22-92

GCP Ser. No. US 539F63 Val. $ _____, as of _____

Source of value: _____

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Well centered strike on a nice olive & orange brown flan with no defects save a fine nick in field below R, not detracting All details present but typically much softer than the reverse. (Have just noticed a couple of other minute nicks at edge of l. shoulder mail & in rt field)

Reverse: Much sharper than obverse. Nearly all details at or approaching VF-30 strength. Even the lines of logitude and latitude in the globe are present. No flan defects. The "character

fter INDE" which Miller found "too poor to sh
exactly"(M:P. 19) is very clear and sharp.
A later state of reverse showing edge break
over LIB.

Arguably, third finest after the "exceptional"
Norweb: 2491 and Oechsner:1055 specimens. Pine
Tree, EAC Sale, L.56 obverse is sharper, but
AU and left shoulder detail appears to have
been obliterated by some damage or striking prob
as is the legend following D of INDE opposite
on reverse. I will give present spec. the benefit
of the doubt and call this the third finest!

CONNECTICUT

GLV #1

GRADE: OBV: F toVF DATE: 1786

REV: F to AXF Miller No.: 5 10-L R-6

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: ~~(R4 I(R5)~~

EAC'75 L.No. 58 @$200. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers

Die Cutter(s): Hubs of A.Buel, punct.by workmen, etc

Diameter: 28.64x28.52 mm Thickness: 1.50 mm

Weight: ~~8.65~~ ~~8.16~~ 8.65 Grams; ~~133.49~~ (133.49) Grains (25.93) rechd: 3.25.91

EX: Mike Ringo, Nov., 1986 List, Ex. Robert M. Martin Coll.(per M. Ringo, tel. conf.); ex. A. ~~Terranova, 1977 (from Martin envelope, included.~~

Lot No.: _____ Grade VF Date Acq. 11-17-86

Ser. No. US21359 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Quite well centered strike on a slightly elliptical, medium brown flan. Mineral inclusion striae extend from rim at 2:00, or so, into back of the head of the figure, one quite broad, and a pair of parallel fine ones at 6:30, or so, not unduly detracting. Some detail approaches XF strength, others less sharp. A few, toned over scratches in head area.

REVERSE: Very pleasing! All detail present and the periphal design elements, including legend, punctuation, date, branch and arm are of nearly or quite XF, while the central detail is perhaps only F, or so.

Die break rev. from top of I of INDE through tops of ND.

A possible condition census candidate for a variety usually found on defective flans and weak central detail.

Possibly, should b e rated R^6, at least. Only 10 in GCP survey, to date. JBR-6

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VG to VF-30 DATE: 1786

REV: G to VF-20 Miller No.: 5^{10} - P

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: (R^5) (R^6 +)

EAC'75 L.No. 59 @ $310. M.Pl.No.:

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers

Die Cutter(s): A. Buel's hubs(leg., dates, inc.) hand finished by workmen(colons, ornaments)

Diameter: 28.05 mm Thickness: 1.60 mm

Weight: 8.15 8.15 Grams; 125.07 Grains

EX: Mike Ringo, February, 1986 List.

Lot No.: 12 Grade F Date Acq. 2-21-86

Ser. No. US21350 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered specimen. Mostly a warm brown flan with no important problems, except, under a glass, some fine striae through the lower left quadrant and a very fine flan crack at point of left shoulder mail. Unevenly struck, ranging from VF-30 (left shoulder mail, CONNEC, through VF*20(AUCTORI, breast mail, top of wreath) to VG (most head detail).

REVERSE: Centered toward 6;00, so, that date is mostly off the flan, on a flan which. while generally pleasing, has many mostly fine striae in the left half. However, this is one of the finest known of this die variety. Possibly, a candidate for finest known. The EAC, L. 59 spec.

is the omly plated spec. in G.C.P. census, to date, and it is not a match for this. While in the EAC spec. there is a little more hair and wreath detail, most lower right quadrant detail on the EAC spec. is not visible, The NEC and L. shoulder mail on present spec. is of at least VF-20 sharpness. Similarly, on the rev. the head of Ms. Liberty, ET and some other details are stronger in the present coin. Both coins are weak in the center of the rev. figure, with EAC spec. possibly having a very slight edge in a few drapery lines, although the globe lines are much stronger in the present spec.

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CONNECTICUT

#3 Gell.

DATE: 1786

MILLER NO.: 5.11 - R

GRADE: OBVERSE: VF-30-some details app. XF-40

REVERSE: Same

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL RARITY: Hi R-6

EAC '75 LOT No. 60; VF-$360.* M. PL. No. II,26
#333/FtoVF/$175.

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers

Die Cutters: ~~Dies from comp. hubs,~~ leg., dates, included, of A. Buel; punct., ornaments, etc by workmen, etc.

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.20 Vert: 28.26 Thickness: 1.60 mm

WT.: 7.97 Grams: 123. Grains: None Die Rot.: ____ °

EX.: Stack's Sale of duplicates of John J. Ford, Jr Lot 176, June 8, 1984; Ex. H. Chapman's Sticknev Coll. Sale/

Lot No.: 47 (PLATE) Cat. Grade: A CHVF Date Acq.: 6-8-94

GCP Ser. No. US2121Y04 Val. $ _____, as of _____

Source of value: _____

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a pleasing olive-brown flan. A few fine striae are present but not distracting. No evidence of actual wear. Central wreath lightly struck, all other detail approaching XF sharpness.

REVERSE: Perfectly centered strike, full sharp date. Only the faintest evidence of wear. A bit weakly struck at globe and inner frame of the shield. There is a hairline striation across waist

waist toward T of ET.

A high Condition Census example of this die variety. M. Hodder, in the Ford Sale catalogue says:"------finer than the Hessberg coin and all but one of the other 12 we have seen (the finest being a choice Unc.)"

Actually, the Hessberg coin seems, arguably. a bit sharper in some details to me comparing the plates. However. I evidently did not think that it was a sufficient improvement over my specimen and did not bid on it in the Hessberg sale

As noted above, this was LOt 176 in Henry Chapman's Sale of the famous Matthew Adams Stickney collection where it was graded "Very Good" and sold for $2.75. Actually, this was the fourth highest price realized for a Connecticut copper of the 95 in the sale! Accompanied by the ticket of Hillyer Ryder reading: "Very Good.Not in Crosby. Rare."

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F-12 to VF-20 DATE: 1786

REV: VF-20 Miller No. 5 - S

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL"Sword Hilt/guard" Rarity: R.6 R.7/T:6 not known to Miller(S rev.)

EAC'75 L.No. 61 @&540. M.Pl.No.:

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers-New Haven

Die Cutter(s): Comp. hubs, incl. leg./date-A. Buel, finished by wkmen adding punctuation, etc.

Diameter: 28.5 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 8.86 Grams; 136.73 Grains T: 137.0 gr.

EX: Donald A. Mituzas, 3-29-88; earlier, unknown buyer @ Taylor; earlier, ex. Taylor, L. 2383. PLATED

Lot No.: 2383 Grade T: VF-20 Date Acq. 3-25-88 (on ap

Ser. No. US 54159 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike; medium brown verging on mahogany; left hemisphere characteristically weaker than the right, however, all deail is present. AU is weak; CTO, F-15, at least, approaching VF-20, as is upright of R; I only vestigial. A scattering of very fine striae, mostly in left half. There is a "dash" in right field between fillet ends and E of CONNEC which I do not see in any other plated example, or in the M. 4.2-S in this collection.

REVERSE: Probably, the finest example of rev. S known. Lovely, medium brown coloration, smooth glossy fields, with only an edge mineral inclusion flaw at 11:00. Uniformly at least VF-20 to 30 sharpness except the date, which is not there

as a result of the crumbling of the flan in that area. Otherwise, nothing known to me approachs this example of this rare reverse. The finest known to me. The S reverse is without question the finest to appear to date.

According to Mituzas. this coin was plated in the January, 1952 "Numismatist" as being from the Stepney Hoard.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: ~~AU-XF~~ VF-30 DATE: Gv 1786 #1

REV: ~~AU-XF~~ VF-30 net Miller No.: 6-K JRi, low R-6

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: (R5 M) (HiRE R6 EAC)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 65@550 - M. Plate No.: II, No 27 *

*SAME AS GARRETT L. No 1349

PRINT: M. LEAVENWORTH, J. BALDWIN & W. Die Cutter(s): NEW HUBS

LESSEE OF EQUIP. OF G. FOR COINING By A. BUEL + INSCRIPTIONS

COPPERS, 9-10 TO 11-1-86. BY HAND

Diameter: 28 mm 28.1 Thickness: 1.90 mm

Weight: 9.80 9.71 Grams; 151.29 151.85 Grains

EX: P. ADJUST

Lot No.: — Grade — Date Acq. 1.2.82

Ser. No. US 77501 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Perfectly centered strike on a nice, virtually defect free, light tan flan with coppery toning, especially in fields. There is a very minor, shallow natural mint clip at about 5:00 O'clock, and a tiny edge dent below bust at 4:00, 0100, not of any strict accuracy. All detail is sharp and bold, exhibiting only slight wear. A trifle lightly struck in center of bust, with a scattering of flan roller marks in neck of figure.

Reverse: Struck off center toward 1:00, or so, on a nice flan without noticeable defects. Slight obverse mint

clip is at top of pole; "ET" about 1/3 to 1/2 off flan; "LI" right on edge. Tiny flan defect at 11:00, or so, about obliterate second ornament. Otherwise, a strong, sharp strike on a light tan, offset toned planchet. Fourth left two-thirds of coin very bold and sharp with, possibly, the strongest date of any known specimen of this die variety, which is well known for its weak or missing date. Figure is strong and sharp except left leaf center, which is typically weak and with sundry plainish roller marks, as on obverse. Full sharp beads from about 5:00 to 9:00, or so. Possibly, the ~~FOURTH~~ finest known specimen ~~(after EAC 75 lot 65)~~*. See C.C.P. Tentative Condition census. See article in CNL, March, 1960, P. 706 with survey on this variety. Author recorded 20 different pieces, only 6 in F or better cond. and only 2 in VF. Only 1 of 20 was reported with a full date. Obv. of this spec. shows superior detail in upper hair and wreath of obv. than Garrett, L. 1349. Probably this coin has strongest known date.

*Only Oechsner, 75 EAC, and Longfor Green Keller.

CONNECTICUT

Gov

GRADE: OBV: VF-20 DATE: 1786

REV: AVF-30 Miller No. 7-K

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: (R^6)(R^7) JR: R7

EAC'75 L.No. 66 @ $290. M.Pl.No.: II, 28

MINT: M.Leavenworth,et al,9-10-86 to 11-1-86 using leased press,etc.of Company for Coining Coppers.
Die Cutter(s): A.Buel's hubs,(new),inscriptions added by hand punching.

Diameter: 28.32 x 26.24 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 9.01 Grams; ~~138.89~~ 139.04 recalc. Grains Cat.: 139.3 3.26.91

EX: Bowers & Merena, Frederick B. Taylor Coll. Sale;Ex. Pine Tree, John Carter Brown Library Sale,5-21-76, L.513.

Lot No.: 2388 Grade O.A.VF-20 Date Acq. 3-27-87

Ser. No. US43039 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE:Well centered strike; some v. fine planchet granularity;"golden" brown; 3 "clips"(J. Carter Brown Cat.) or "dents"(Taylor Cat.) at 7;00 and 9:00 obverse; couple ext. fine striae in neck area; edges of clips or dents slightly raised;Miller att. in white paint, left and right fields. While somewhat softer than reverse, detail is quite strong and of at least VF-20 sharpness.

Reverse: Well centered strike, abot 5° rotated from obv.;considerably sharper than obv.; no important flan defects, save a line of fine striae bi-secting flan from about 5:00 to rim between E of INDE and first colon; clip or dent

above DE and at 11:00, or so; 3d not evident on rev.;all detail strong and sharp; full, sharp date.

Called,"One of finest known" in Pine Tree, J. Carter Brown Coll. Sale."Finer than EAC spec." in Taylor Cat. At any rate, discounting the edge problems, at least as good as EAC, L. 66 called,"one of the finest known, exceeded only by sharper Crosby plate coin--but better than Miller plate coin."

Stephen Boyer

3-17-90

TOTAL COINS TO HOB

VARIETIES

1785 - 27

1786 - 34

51

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Col.
#3

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CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: 1.1 - A

GRADE: OBVERSE: AXF-40

REVERSE: AXF-40

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR "Small Head RARITY: R-3

EAC '75 LOT No. 75/VFtoXF/$525M. PL. No. III.#30

MINT: Machin's Mills

Die Cutters: James F. Atlee

DIAM: Horiz.: 27.62 Vert: 27.54 Thickness: 1.66 mm

WT.: 7.24 Grams: 111.73 Grains: left Die Rot.: 10 °

EX.: Colonial Trading Co., Inc., FPL No. 1,

Lot No.: 20 Cat. Grade: XF Date Acq.: 6-18-94

GCP Ser. No. 213Y257 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Well centered strike on a pleasing, smooth, hard, brown flan with no defects save a very shallow mint clip at about 1:00 not affecting any design elements. Only light, if any, sign of circulation at figure's right shoulder, cheek and lower two pairs of leaves of wreath. This may be wholly or partly the result of light striking rather than wear. Some die roughness in figure's neck.

REVERSE: Similarly lovely! The only possible

sign of slight wear is at upper shield, but is as likely from striking weakness. Slight die roughness at Ms. Lib.'s waist as often seen but considerably less than on Oechsner: 1059 and Roper:236, for example. The clip is at about 4:00, again, affecting only a few denticles. A full, sharp date, dateline and all lines of the globe. A lovely Connecticut and a Condition Census specimen. While placing the high-end examples of 1.1-A is not easy, I am calling this the third finest after Bowers, Herdman Sale: 1059 (color plate) and '75 EAC: 1059, and ahead of Oechsne although, a fairly prominent scratch across the upper head may demote this a place or two, and ahead of Roper 236, Laird Parker 79, Taylor: 2391, NN:51st:80, Turoff: 557, among others.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-30 to XF-40 DATE: 1787

REV: VF-30 Miller No. 1^2-C

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR "Mutton Head" Rarity: AT LEAST R^6 THIS STATE

EAC'75 L.No. 67,68,69 M.Pl.No.: III,#33eds

MINT: Att. to John Bailey, New York City, See: The Mysterious "Muttonhead", G.A. Trudgen, RCR68,69,7

Die Cutter(s): John Bailey

Diameter: 28.16X28.45 mm Thickness: 1.80 rechd: 3.29.91

Weight: 9.03 Grams; 139.35 Grains T: 139.6

EX: D. Linnett, Early American Numismatics, FPL, May, '88, L.85; Ex. B.&Merena, Taylor Sale, 3-27-87 *

(PLATED) Lot No.: 2393 @ 220.! Grade F-15 Date Acq. 5-31-88

Ser. No. US 655X09 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value:

*ALSO: EX. SAN DIEGO COIN SHOW, INC. SALE, 1-22-88 (D. LINNETT) L 409 (PLATED) @ $682.50 (?)

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Quite well-centered strike, although somewhat toward 11:00, or so, so that RI of AUCTORI right on edge of the flan, but no details of design are affected. Slate-gray coloration; microscopically porous; no flan defects; as stated in the Linnett catalogue, "Very fine or better. Extremely fine in terms of actual wear--". In fact, the high points of the design show no wear whatsoever. The entire legend and, wreath and hair detail are sharp and clear, the mail is bold, sharp and shows no wear, even on its highest points. The facial detail , although less bold, is, nevertheless,

quite strong and complete.

REVERSE: Perfectly centered. Similar flan, coloration. All detail present, the figure particularly strong; LIB slightly weaker than INDE . ET, which is very sharp. Full, sharp date.

The finest early die state Mutton Head known to me. Probably, R-6 to R-7 in this state. Only three in GCP census to date out of 24 plated examples. TAYLOR CAT.: "PROBABLY HIGH RARITY - 6 - - -" IN THIS DIE STATE.

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CONNECTICUT

Coll. #4

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: 1.2-C "Mutton Head"

GRADE: OBVERSE: VF-30, or better

REVERSE: Same

TYPE/NICKNAME: Mutton Head RARITY: R-3

EAC '75 LOT No. 67,68,69 M. PL. No. III,e.d.s.

MINT: Att. to John Bailey, New York City

Die Cutters: John Bailey

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.85 Vert: 28.81 Thickness: 1.87 mm

WT.: 8.67 Grams: 133.80 Grains: Right Die Rot.: 15°

EX.: Sylvester S. Crosby, Ex John Work Garrett Collection, Bowers & Merena Sale III: 1350 (PLATED)
~~Stack's Sale, 9/21,22,94: 25 (PLATED)~~

Lot No.: Cat. Grade: G.VF Date Acq.: 9/21/94

GCP Ser. No. 210K459 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Struck perhaps a trifle toward 7:00, or so, so that lower edge of mail is right on edge. on a lovely light orange-tan flan with no notable defects. Hodder: "---micro-granular but middle state 1.2-C's usually come this way." Intermediate obv. die state, weakness in letters attributable entirely to wear in the die." However, this is also attributed to some letters being wholly or partially ground off the die. A fine scratch in

lower wreath and some roughness betweenUC and head are noyed for strict accuracy, not distract, ing.

REVERSE:Approaching XF-40 sharpness.A few minor scratches are noted between head and liberty cap, not noticeable except under a glass.

A Condition Census coin: N. 3, GCP Tent. C.C. after Bowers, Kensington Coll. Sale 12-12-75. L. 233 "AU or better and Stack's Sale, 10/20-22 ng pedigree".

1787 MILLER 1.2-C
The Crosby-Garrett Coin

1787 Connecticut Miller 1.2-C

1350 **1787 Connecticut. Miller 1.2-C.** 133.75 grains. Rarity-3. Extremely popular *Mutton Head* or *Bradford Head* type. Not rare but the strong demand makes up for the availability of specimens.

Very Fine or better from a wear viewpoint. The second die state in which a few of the letters are partially ground off on the obverse die. The balance of the obverse is sharp as is the reverse, which has a full date. A few minor scratches on the reverse between the head and the liberty cap. A pleasing light brown specimen which originally belonged to Sylvester S. Crosby.

From the collection of Sylvester S. Crosby.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VG to F-15 DATE: 1787

REV: F-12 to AVF-20 Miller No.: 1^3-L

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBR Rarity: (R^7)

EAC'75 L.No. 70 @ $275. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Morristown ,New jersey

Die Cutter(s): Walter Mould, June 1787 to AUG.'88.

Diameter: 21.14 x 27.70 mm Thickness: 1.50

Weight: 7.46 Grams; 115.13 116.03 Grains

EX: Bowers & Merena, Frederick B. Taylor Collection Sale,

Lot No.: 2396 Grade F-12 Date Acq. 3-27-87

Ser. No. US21872 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck slightly off-center to 4:00 but no design elements affected; smooth, light tan flan; a flan flaw in OR; a few details approach VF-20 sharpness, such as the mail, top leaves of wreath, others weaker. Probably, the assigned F-12 is, overall, fair.

REVERSE: Quite well-centered, though Ms. Lib.'s head is partly off the flan. Similar coloration and flan; a mineral inclusion flaw in area of the figure's left leg; full sharp date; details of figure are quite bold, including sharp lines in the globe; IND a little light, ET LIB stronger.

An acceptable example of a die variety which is generally seen only in lower grades.

CONNECTICUT

Group II, New Hub, Leaves in triplicate, paired berries, wheat ear reversal, lge. Rett, sm. dates

GRADE: OBV: AU REV: AU

TYPE/NICKNAME:

DATE: 1787

Miller No.: 2-B #2

Rarity: (Rm) 3 (Reac) 3+

Orig. Buel Hubs. comp. by M. Plate No.: workmen adding letters, numerals etc.

Die Cutter(s):

EAC '75 Lot No.: 92

NT: Company for Coining Coppers - N. Haven I

Diameter: 27.68 x 28.09 mm Thickness: 2.10 mm

Weight: 10.60 Grams; 164.07 Grains

EX: Robert A. Vlack, Bay State Coin Show, Boston ex. his personal 2nd coll. formed after selling first intact (235 var.) to E.R. Barnsley

Lot No.: V No. 22 Grade Date Acq. 3/19/84

Ser. No. US 21900 Value: as of

Source of Value:

er Robert A. Vlack; Ex. Silver City Coin Co., Menden, Conn. 1966

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck slightly off center toward 7:00, or so, so that very tops of "AU" are off the flan, on a thick flan with no defects except as noted. A lovely olive medium brown color-toning from mint red with mint bloom perceptible beneath the toning. Coin has seen little, if any, circulation. There is, possibly, the slightest wear perceptible in hair curls, tops of leaves of wreath and mail at shoulders. There is background roughness, as made, behind lettering, "AU" light, "CT" barely to be made out, but remaining letters are strong and very sharp. There are a number of light, short marks mostly scattered on figure with a few in the left field. They appear to be planchet roller marks rather than from handling and to not detract.

REVERSE: 180° rotated. Similar, no real signs of wear. A few of the planchet roller marks, as on obverse, tiny planchet striae around pole hand, mentioned only for accuracy. "87" of date light. "INDE"

very strong, needle sharp; "ET LIB" quite strong but lighter by comparison; group of 4 light spots on and below right end of dateline may, possibly, be the best known. Compare examples in G.C.P. census. Only the XF spec. in B & R "RCR" #14 (8/9/72) apparently close-dess. as "weak at top". Breen in EAC cat. calls that spec. second only to the B & R "RCR" spec. and the present specimen is certainly superior to the EAC plated coin.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F-12 to VF-20 *DATE: 1787

REV: VF-20 Miller No.: 3-G'

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: R.6-7

EAC'75 L.No. 79 @ $325. M.Pl.No.: III.34

MINT: Machin's Mills, Newburgh ,N.Y.

Die Cutter(s):

Diameter: 27.44x27.34 mm Thickness: 1.10

Weight: 5.80 Grams; 89.51 Grains Cat. 89.7

Rec'd: 3.30.91

EX: Bowers & Merena, Frederick B. Taylor Coll. Sale; Ex. New Netherlands, 51st Sale, L. 85 (Dr. Hall.Brand) Ex Boyd, Breen

Lot No.: 2399 Grade F-15 Date Acq. 3-27-87

Ser. No US 43587 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Figure partially highlighted against a a dark brown field, particularly, center portion of the wreath and the mail; fields somewhat granular, with sundry fine striae scattered across face and left field. Many details of VF-20 or better strength, others weaker. Struck from a late state of the die, with a bulge in left field obliterating UC of AUCTORI. Bright areas of mail and wreath appear to have been abraided, but not noticeable except under a glass.

REVERSE: About perfectly centered strike; mostly dark brown with lighter highlights where there are signs of minor handling abrasions, mainly at rim between Ms. Lib.'s foot and IN, and in stand of shield. Fully qualified for a grade of

VG-20 or better. Diagnostic die break from
of INDE, across arm and into lap of the
figure is clear.

CONNECTICUT

1787
MBL
Horned Bust

GRADE: OBV: Abt. XF-40 MILLER NO.: 4-L (No. 1)
REV: XF-30+ RARITY: SH/EAC: R1
RARITY: M: C

EAC '75 Lot No. 71 M. Plate No. -
Diameter: 27.15x27.37 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm
Weight: 9.11 9.35 Grams; 140.59 Grains
Ex: Mayflower Coin Auctions, Inc. auction sale 12/8-9/67, Lot No. 26 described as "Very Fine". Envelope accompanies. "THURLOW" SALE.

Lot No.: 26 Grade: VF Date Acq. 12-8-67
Ser. No. U.S. 2230 Value: $ as of '82
Source of Value: R. AUGUST

DESCRIPTION

GENERAL: Early die state; "horn" die break small, and not connected to bust. Nice, smooth, glossy, light brown planchet with no defects. Small planchet, presumably.

OBVERSE: All legends clear and fairly strong except "AUC" a trifle light; tops of "CO" on edge of rim; upper hair and most of wreath show wear or not struck up, very strong from 2:00 *forehead, also shows on Red Book plate coin. Evidently, just starting on Garrett Coin Lot. 1351; both breaks on EAC coin about same as on this coin.

REVERSE: Full date, "INDE" a trifle light; "ET LIB" strong, fairly good detail in figure except in area of globe; "small breaks are also much rarer than large breaks" this specimen very similar to CNL plate coin.

A SMALL FLAN SPECIMEN.

*through bottom of bust; an apparent die break from eye to

no sheet
for #3?
where is it?
#3 is AD

CONNECTICUT

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#4

GRADE: OBV: XF-40 DATE: 1787

REV: XF-40 Miller No. 4-L

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL "Horned bust" Rarity: (C)(R[L])

EAC'75 L.No. 71, 72 M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Morristown, N.J. Mint

Die Cutter(s): Walter Mould (?)

Diameter: 26.85 x 27.05 mm Thickness: 1.60 mm

rcvd 3.30.91

Weight: 7.30 Grams; 114.86 Grains

EX: Gary Wolak, Gar-Den Rare Coins, Greater Worcester Coin Show

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 12-14-87

Ser. No. US 31500 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck slightly toward 10:00, or so, so that AUCTORI right on edge of flan, on a red brown, pleasing flan with no flaws. However, under a glass, flan is granular and with a few fine circulation marks, though none are detracting. Strongly and boldly struck with wear evident only on tops of leaves of the wreath. A late intermediate state of the die, with the "horn" about five MM in length and attached to the shoulder mail, but quite fine.

REVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a much smoother ,medium brown flan with no defects other than tiny rim dent just above head of Ms. Liberty. Some coppery toning in her breast.

An extraordinarily bold strike with strong relief in both figure and legend. Nearly full globe lines; shield well outlined. Compare G.C.P. spec. No. 1 where die seems to have deteriorated in this area. Some fine granularit in the fields (under a glass) but not detracting from a handsome Connecticut copper.

A SMALL FLAN SPECIMEN. DIAM: 26.85 X 27.05
cf McC Spec NO. 5, Ex. OECHSNER, LARGE
FLAN 28.77 X 29.31!

CONNECTICUT

#5

GRADE: OBV: XF-40 AU? DATE: 1787

REV: XF-40 Miller No. 4 - L

TYPE/ NICKNAME: ~~Early d. State of~~ MBL "Horned Bust" Rarity: Poss. R6 this state

EAC'75 L.No. 71,72 M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Morristown, N.J.

Die Cutter(s) Walter Mould.(?)

Diameter: 28.77 X29.31 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: ~~8.349~~ 8.39 Grams: 129.48 Grains Oechsn: 129.?

EX: Stack,s,Oechsner Sale,Sept. 8,9,1988,L.1063;
Ex.Virgil Brand Coll.;earlier. Dr. Thomas Hall, ~~his att. in white paint on edge.~~ (PLATE)

Lot No.: 1063 Grade XF Date Acq. 9/9/88

Ser. No. 960X07 Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Perfectly centered strike; deep brown; despite microscopically fine granularity, presents a pleasing glossy appearance. Flan is slightly out of round, as indicated by its dimensions. Coin shows almost no wear ,with only the slightest indications of "cabinet friction" in the upper leaves of the wreath and in hair beneath CON. A "perfect die" ex.with no sign of the "horn".

Reverse: Again, a perfectly centered strike; ~~xxxx~~ boldly struck-up (as is the obverse), showing ~~almo~~ almost no signs of wear save, possibly, in Ms. Liberty's breast,top-knot, and face of shield. This specimen shows no sign of the "horn" die break whatsoever. It may be the finest, or a

candidate for the finest "perfect die" "horn
bust" known.

Moerover, this a specimen is struck on an extremely broad flan.

The average of the vert. and horiz. diam. this spec. is 28.7MM. The average of GCP spe 1,3, and 4 is 26.8, GCP spec. #2 to be checke Virtually indestinguishable from the Garrett L. 1351 plated spec. or perhaps showing a little less wear, esp. in the hair than that example @$7200.! Moreover, this is free of flan defects while Garrett has a "dig in field above the branch on the reverse."

I believe that the "perfect die" and broad flan 4-L's are far rarer than the later die state small flan examples of this die combination.

W. BREEN, "RARE" (ENCYC. P69)

CONDITION CENSUS. #6 GCP TENT. CC 12/93

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CONNECTICUT

#6

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: 4 -L

GRADE: OBVERSE: AU - 50

REVERSE: AU - 50

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL "Horned Bust RARITY: R- 1

EAC '75 LOT No. 12 XF plus/$480 M. PL. No. None

MINT: Morristown, N.J.

Die Cutters: Walter M˘uld (?)

DIAM: Horiz.: 27.02 Vert: 27.03 Thickness: 1.71 mm

WT.: _____ Grams: _____ Grains: right Die Rot.: 7.5°

EX.: Joe Piervincenti, ~~Bay State~~ NENA Coin Show, 8/22/93; EX Stack's, Levinson Sale, 4.22.88:

Lot No.: 31 Cat. Grade: AU-50 Date Acq.: _____

GCP Ser. No US 867693 Val. $ _____, as of _____

Source of value: _____

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Struck slightly off-center toward 10:00, or so, so that AUC is right on the edge of the flan and TORI letters are a bit off the flan. A lovely light tan or "reddish brown, traces of faded mint lustre here and there." as described in the Levinson catalogue where it is plated both black and white and in color. A sharp, bold strike with no evidence of wear. The "horn" is huge reaching to a point even with the right side of the U of AUCTORI. The die clashing below RI is very plain.

REVERSE: About perfectly centered strike. Everything bold and sharp . Smooth, hard and glossy flan.

A candidate for finest known. #1 in GCP Tentative Condition Census.

CONNECTICUT 1787
MBL

Good

GRADE: OBV: Unc. MILLER NO.: 5-P
REV: Unc. RARITY: SHEAC: R8
RARITY: M: R^6
EAC '75 Lot No. 95 M. Plate NO. -
Diameter: 28.83x28.04 mm Thickness: 1.50 mm
Weight: 7.39 Grams; 114.05 Grains
Ex: Anthony Terranova, N.Y.C. Coin Show; Ex. NASCA, Kessler-Spangeberger Sale 4/28-29/81, Lot. 2215, (plated, P 74) described "Probably finest known!" "--an exceptional piece".

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 11-8-81
Ser. No. U.S. 82508 Value: as of
Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

GENERAL: Deep brown or chocolate, smooth, glossy slightly irregular planchet, except in areas of flaws.

OBVERSE: Extremely sharp, bold strike. Possibly the strongest detail I have seen. Full bold denticles except a little light from 3:00 to 4:00 in area of die deterioration. No actual wear evident. Die indentation affects lower portion of hair, fillets, "NE" of "CONNEC" caused by badly rusted die.

REVERSE: Full, bold strike; hair and facial features of figure full, full strong date; traces of mint lustre in globe and between globe and shield, around date, in "TLIB" and around head, etc.; fine die cracks on both sides of branch; two rough, indented areas caused by the rusted dies extending from figure's staff hand into shield; denticles nearly all around, somewhat flattened in portions of cumcumference. The EAC coin is softly struck in the centers and, on balance this coin is superior. AVG. example (Lot 564) in Turoff sale (B & R 10/1-2/76) described as "exceedingly rare die variety" with considerable planchet problems. Lot 1352 in Garrett Sale 3 described as XF "an extremely important coin" from Coll. of Sylvester S. Crosby plated is certainly inferior to this specimen,

on balance.

MISSING? 6-11-96

CONNECTICUT

17887 D

TYPE/NICKNAME: "LAUGHING HEAD"

GRADE: OBV: VF-20 MILLER NO.: 6-M #1

REV: VF-20 RARITY: SHEAC: (R^2)

RARITY: M: R^1

EAC '75 Lot No. 173 M. Plate NO. III, No. 35

Diameter: 28.01 mm Thickness: 1.20 mm

Weight: 6.50 Grams; 100.31 Grains

Ex: John S. Ashby, Jr., Ashby's Best Coppers, P.O. Box 20403, Indianapolis, Ind. 46220. September, 1983 list @ $150.

Lot No.: Grade XF-40 Date Acq. Sept. 26, 1983

Ser. No. 91309 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

GENERAL: Well centered strike on a thin, finely granular, steely gray planchet with no defects. Fairly even wear on both obverse and reverse.

OBVERSE: As above; legend and punctuation is complete, the first period is light; "Auctori Connec" strong and sharp; denticles evident from about 9:00 to 3:00, or so; fairly sharp detail in face, mail, ribbons; wreath worn flat or not struck up. Many details of a VF or so sharpness; no planchet defects.

REVERSE: Similar; tops of letters of legend a little light or worn; stars sharp; full strong date; figure all clear but not struck up or worn somewhat flat.

A very nice example of this variety "which is common in Good but very rare About Fine" (W. Breen in EAC '75 Sale cat.) THIS IS ABSOLUTELY WRONG. V. COMMON IN HIGHER GRADES. SEE GCP CENSUS.

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#4 ? Nick

CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: 6.1 - M

GRADE: OBVERSE: AU - 50

REVERSE: AU - 50

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL "Laughing/ Head" RARITY: R - 1

EAC '75 LOT No. 73, AVF$260. M. PL. No. III,35

MINT: Morristown, N.J. ~~Unlocated private mint, (N.Y. City)~~

Die Cutters: Walter Mould and Bejamin Dudley

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.43 Vert: 28.25 Thickness: 1.52 mm

WT.: 7.20 Grams: 111.11 Grains: right Die Rot.: 20 °

EX.: Stack's Sale, Hall, Hillyer, Ryder Dup., 9/9/93 ; Ex Stack's, Levinson Sale, 4/27/88, L. 32 (Pl)

Lot No.: 979 Cat. Grade: AU Date Acq.: 9/9/93

GCP Ser. No. US210M450 Val. $ _____, as of _____

Source of value: _____

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Perfectly centered strike on a smooth, hard flan with only a small cleft in the flan at about 4:30 and some minor roughness in right field behind the head, neither distracting. Sharp dentillation around the entire circumference. "---rich golden russet iridescence quite possibly from faded (mint) color."(Levinson Cat.). All details sharp and bold with no slightest sign of wear.

REVERSE: Similar in all respects. No flan problems save the natural cleft at 1:00, or so.

The edge irregularities on the reverse seem to be some what characteristis of this variety.
Compare:Garrett III, L.1354.
A condition census candidate.Finest known to me after Miller, Plate III,Garrett 3, L. 1354, and, possibly, B. & R.,Rare Coin Review No. 14. P. 59.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F-15 DATE: 1787

REV: F-15 Miller No.: 7-I

TYPE/NICKNAME: "Hercules Head" Rarity: (Rm4) (Reac6) +?

EAC '75 Lot No.: 83 M. Plate No.:

NT: New Haven I, Company Die Cutter(s):

for Coining Coppers

Diameter: 28.19x27.87 mm Thickness: 1.96 mm

Weight: 9.03 Grams; ~~142.75~~ 139.35 Grains

EX: P. Boisvert - 1/29/84 - N.B. Coin Show.

Note: See EAC Cat. p. 19. Hand cut dies before hubs were prepared (M. obv. 7, 8, 9)

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 1/29/84

Ser. No. US 31505 Value: as of

Source of Value:

A difficult coin to grade. Many details are fully VF, others VG to F. Overall would call it F-15.

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: "The only instance of ~~census~~ reuse of a 1786 mailed bust die in 1787." EAC p. 20.

OBVERSE: Struck slightly to 10:00 o'clock, or so, so that "Auctori" right on edge of flan, on a rough flan showing ample evidence of a badly rusted and deteriorating die. Also, a number of handling marks (?) in face and fine scratch from cheek SW to "C" of "CONNEC"; "UCT" largely obliterated in rusted die area; strangely, appears to be on "I" beneath Hercules chin. Color medium to dark brown. Really, better appearing than it sounds.

REVERSE: Similar. Struck from badly rusted and deteriorating die but most detail is present except only bare tops of date on flan; die bulged above arm and branch. Reverse is upset 90° from obverse. This is not up to the EAC coin described as "Finest to be auctioned in 50 years." Nor, the Merkim Sale (10/31/73 Lot 155)

specimen plated (which may be better than the EAC coin although cat. says, "considerably out classes the Crosby plate coin reillustrated in Taxay; still finer than lot 155, Merkin sale at a then reasonable $400, a hair's breadth finer than the piece pictured by Vlack".

Not in B & R, Julius Turoff Sale 10/1-2/76 (216 Connecs!)

Lot 2217 in Kessler-Spangenberger 4/28-29/81 graded as VF (HiR6) shows similar weakness in "AUCTO" and states "soft strike at left, probably due to rotation of reverse die so that date and shield are opposite that point". (as in the present coin). Reverse is very comparable to the present coin @$190.

Not in the very extensive B & R list of Connecs in Rare Coin Review No. 15 Aug. - Sept. 1972 Robert Marks Coll.) around 400± Connecs in list.

Only 5 in GCP survey (to 6/84) + EAC coin.

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CONNECTICUT

Lot #2

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: 8-N

GRADE: OBVERSE: T:XF-40 where struck-up

REVERSE: T:VF-30 to XF-40

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL RARITY: R-4(too low)

EAC '75 LOT No. 84/AVF/AF:$100. M. PL. No. III#32(obv

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutters: Hubs of A. Buel- punctuation, ornaments , etc. added by apprentices, etc.

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.30 Vert: 28.12 Thickness: 2.02 mm

WT.: 9.76 Grams: 150.62 Grains: Left Die Rot.: 10 °

EX.: Jeff Rock, Rosa Americana FPL #9:126

Lot No.: 126 Cat.Grade: CH VF* Date Acq.:

GCP Ser.No. US640X03 Val.$, as of

Source of value:

*Some
*"-many areas--full EF--"

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Struck somewhat off-center toward 12:30, or so, so that RI right on edge of flan and CO one-third off, and NNE right on edge. Somewhat glossy black with mottled gray-black areas. Areas of surface delamination apparent in face and left field noted under a glass. Boldly struck up, extraordinarily so for 8-N especially so in mail, upper head and CONNEC:.:. CTORI strong but somewhat less so. Face detail all there but softer.

REVERSE:Centered a trifle toward 5:00, or so,date partially off flan, ETLIB RIGHT ON rim. Generally evenly struck with all design elements present and of at least VF-30 sharpness. Micro-granular surfaces under a glass but appearing fairly smooth. No defects.

An extraordinary 8-N!Jeff Rock calls it,"---much nicer than anything else that has been offered in recent years- including--Robison, Taylor, Norweb, Picker Ref. Coll., '75 EAC sale, Miller--Appleton-MHS and Hall-Hessberg--"

I think that perhaps the '75 EAC:84 may have a slight edge over this coin and GCP: # 1, ex Robison:126 may have better eye-appeal but otherwise I would agree with Rock. In any event this has to be in the top three, or so known.

CONNECTICUT

rewrite? maybe finest known

COLL

GRADE: OBV: VG-20 DATE: 1787

REV: VG-20 Miller No.: 8-G #1

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL "TALLEST HEAD" Rarity: (R3 M) (R4+ EAC)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 85@55 M. Plate No.: III, No 32 (8)

NT: NEW HAVEN T., "COMPANY FOR COINING COPPERS" Die Cutter(s): HAND CUT DIES (BEFORE HUBS PREPARED) BY A. BUEL

Diameter: 27.94 X 27.93 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: ~~9.20~~ 9.07 Grams; ~~141.97~~ 139.99 Grains recd: 9.1.91

EX: DAVID SONDERMAN, FIXED PRICE LIST 10/84

Lot No.: 121 Grade: Fair+ Date Acq. 10.4.84

Ser. No. US 9603 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Very well centered strike, perhaps a trifle toward 2:00, or so so that "CONNE" of "CONNEC" right at edge but nothing off the flan. Medium brown with lighter, w/ matte and altered areas. Fairly smooth surfaces with no flan defects. Many det'ls of VF, even XF. Strength, detail only F, or G, but weakness in area of forehead and neck and into left shoulder mail is evidently from die deterioration rather than wear.

REVERSE: Generally similar to obverse. Full, fairly sharp date, legend punctuation and devices. Tooling, lower central

one or of figure are flat, with almost ~~[illegible]~~ no detail. Rev. upset about 45°. No flan/die defects.

Possibly, is a condition cousin. Non plated in GCP SENSUS ~~[illegible]~~ to date exc. EAC coin and Miller plate. Obv. of EAC coin is extremely weak in face of figure, showing almost no features, although right side of coin is very strong. On balance, two coins may be about equal. The two reverses are also quite close, overall. Present coin is at least equal to the Miller plate coin, as well. The XF in Stack's Norman Bryant Sale, 2-23-73, Lot 29 was a double struck coin. There was a VF in B&P, Lusk Sale, 10-1-76, L. 568 and a VF plus a VF-XF in B&P "Rare Coin Review" #15, 8-9-12.

CONNECTICUT

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GRADE: OBV: AU DATE: 1787 #2

REV: AU Miller No. 8-O

TYPE/
NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: (R3)(R4)

EAC'75 L.No. 85 M.Pl.No.: III,(8)

MINT: New Haven-I, Company for Coining Coppers

Die Cutter(s) A. Buel's hand cut dies before hubs were prepared.

Diameter: 27.9 ~~28.36~~ mm Thickness: 2.00 mm

Weight: ~~10.1~~ 9.93 Grams: 153.24 Grains rechd: 4.1.91

EX: Dana Linnett, Early American Numismatics, FPL, May 1988, EX The San Diego Coin Show, Inc. ~~Auction 1-22-88, L.411 (plated)~~*

Lot No.: 47 Grade AU Date Acq. 5-11-88

Ser. No. US 857B08 Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value: ~~*F.E.&M., Taylor Sale, 3-26-87, Lot 2411~~

DESCRIPTION

~~Obverse:~~ Struck off-center toward 11:00, or so, so that top of wreath, most of C and half of O are off flan; TORI not struck up at all; face weak. Otherwise, only the slightest evidence of wear on top of shoulder mail and leaves of wreath and in cheek. Some fine striae in center of the face; slight edge irregularity 7:00, or so.

REVERSE: Almost perfectly centered strike, though lower portion of date off flan; IN a trifle weaker than ETLIB. Only slight signs of wear on breast, shield; edge irregularities 12:00 to 1:00. Possibly, a candidate for finest known.

#2

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: O.A.VF-20 Gu DATE: 1787

REV: VF-30 Miller No. 9-D

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: M:4;EAC5 "MI

EAC'75 L.No. 86 M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutter(s): Hand cut dies of A.Buel before hubs prepared.

Diameter: 27.03X27.01 mm Thickness: 1.5 mm

Weight: 7.72 Grams; 119.19 Grains rchd 4.1.91

EX: Mike Ringo-January, 1991 FPL

Lot No.: 9 Grade VF Date Acq. 2-7-91

Ser. No. US 217659 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck off-center toward 11:00, or so so that AUC right on edge of flan and TORI running off so that ORI running to one-third or more off the flan, as usually found. Cf. Taylor, 2413; EAC.'75, L. 86; GCP, #1. A smooth, somewhat glossy flan with with no defects. Possibly, once cleaned, now retoning nicely to a medium brown with reddish mottling. Obverse die was very shallowly cut and is typically found with the face of the figure only vestigially to be seen and other details weak. Here, the head is far stronger than normal for the variety.

REVERSE: A very well centered strike, although slightly to 9:00 with INDE * ET right along ALONG

the rim of flan. Similar flan characteristics to the obv. All details VF-20-30. Sharp lines in globe. Virtually full, sharp date. A condition Census candidate.

#1

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F G, XF DATE: 1787

REV: F G, XF Miller No: 9-E

TYPE/NICKNAME: (See desc.) Rarity: (R^4_M) (R^5_{EAC})

EAC '75 Lot No: 87 M. Plate No: III, #37 (9-R)

MINT: Die Cutter:

Diameter: 27.92X 28.34 MM Thickness: 1.80 mm

Weight: 9.30 Grams; 143.83 ~~144.96~~ Grains * rechk 4.1.95

EX: John S. Ashby, Jr. - Feb. '84 list, lot 240

* A 9-E = known @ 182+ grains! See Sc Notes re Auction record for this var.

Lot No.: 240 Grade Date Acq. 2-20-84

Ser. No. 458654 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

Obverse: many details of an XF incl. wreath, hair in front of wreath "NEC", mail, but "AUCTOR" legibly struck, as is face detail which also is somewhat obscured by a area of fine planchet striae in lower left quadrant of obverse; a nice medium brown, foil glossy planchet, ex. as noted. Struck very slightly off center, toward 8:00 or so but actually very well centered. A small, fine straight line break from upper shoulder line of mail to end of lower fillet.

Reverse: Struck strongly toward 3:30 or so, upper 1600, with rim with full denticles at left, entire legend from hand to shield off planchet on bottom of letters not struck up or worn; however, entire left side of coin has sharpness of an XF to AU, as strongly struck as can actually, lower left three-fourths, or so, of coin

is strong. Lines in globe are bold, sharp. Nearly full date; dateline sharp (doubled under feet of figures), slight wire edge from 12:00 to 4:00, 01 sg. Nice medium brown, smooth & glossy planchet.

Overall, superior to the EAC specimen, although ~~[illegible] probably [illegible]~~ "AUCTORI" stronger on EAC coin and part of the right side legend is visible on the EAC specimen. From photo EAC seems to be extremely rough and dark.

The Montgomery Cell. spec (B&R 2.20-22.76, Lot 1757) is an XF mentioned with "iced" at 3-4:00 obv., 6-9:00 rev. (Only plated coin found to 2.22.84 in G.C.P. Census). Struck MHS 3.29.73 sale, Lot 45 (not plated) has left side weak, thick, heavy planchet (12.92 [illegible] in GCP notes) same coin appears on p. 50 in NERCG is Ricard Publick II sale 7.23-24.76.

Note: "N" of "INDE" appears to have distinctly double cutting noted in miller.

This is, possibly, a candidate for 3d finest known, GCPCC.

CONNECTICUT

GW #6(?)

GRADE: OBV: ~~VG~~ F12 toVF-20 DATE: 1787

REV: ~~VG~~ F12 to VF-30 Miller No. 9-R MRH R4+

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL 1787/1788 O.D. Rarity: Prob. R5

EAC'75 L.No. 88/AVF.341/F-VF M.Pl.No.: LLL37/40

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutter(s) See EAC Cat., P. 19

Diameter: 27.8 mm/28.12 mm Thickness: 1.90 mm

Weight: 10.08 Grams: 15.5.8 (155.87) Grains O.Cat.: 156.0Gr.

EX: Stack's, Herbert M. Oechsner Coll. Sale, Sept. 8,9, 1988 (PLATE) recd. 4.13.91

Lot No.: 1073 Grade F Date Acq. 9/8/88

Ser. No. US546Z82 Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Softly struck in the lower left quadrant and lower bust area; AUCT light; C only vestigially to be seen. However, remainder of obverse approaches or is at VF-20, or better strength. A few well toned over scrathes and small, scattered mineral-inclusion flaws do not detract unduly.

REVERSE: GENERALLY, MORE EVENLY STRUCK THAN THE obverse, and showing some even wear. However, all design details are present except E of ET which is obscured by die deterioration. The all important date is quite sharp and the 7 over 8 quite clear in spite of some rounding of the

edge of the flan (as made ?).Many details are approaching or at VF20 to 30 sharpness. Deep brown coloration-some "splashes"of lighter tan on obverse. A respectable example of a variety which, while probably overrated as to rarity, is definitely rare in higher grades.

3d in Gel Cent. C C oxf 4-13-91,

CONNECTICUT 1787
MBL

GW #1

GRADE: OBV: F to VF MILLER NO.: 10-E
REV: F ~~to VF~~-15 RARITY: SH/EAC: "Very" R7
RARITY: M: R5 JR: R-6

EAC '75 Lot No. 93 M. Plate No.
Diameter: 27.5 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm
Weight: 9.35 Grams; 139.66 Grains
Ex: R. August 1-3-82 UPSET 180°

Lot No.: Grade: Date Acq. 1-3-82
Ser. No. U.S. 82257 Value: $ as of
Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

GENERAL: Struck on a finely granular, medium brown planchet with no defects except a very tiny dent at lower center edge of mail.

OBVERSE: Struck to about 4:00 or so, so that lower right corner of mail is slightly off planchet as are tops of "NEC"; according to R. August, these are always found struck off-center, cf. Garrett(plated)coin, Lot. No. 1355, which is struck almost identically on reverse only "L" and lower half of "I" of "LIB" show, as in my specimen. Also, only bare tops of numbers of date show and obverse is lightly struck or die is weak across neck, as in my piece. Garrett Coin brought $450. Quite good, strong detail in head, hair, wreath and mail; "AUC" light, as is "NNEC".

REVERSE: Struck to 5:00 or so;*tops of numbers which are scarcely distinguishable; "IN" tops off planchet, as are half of "I" and most of "B"; branch and hand sharp; "E" of "ET" light; most of figure detail quite good; lines in globe visible. Garrett Catalogue says "Another extremely rare variety, this one ~~is~~ fine is is one of the finest known.** (EXTREMELY RARE IN ALL GRADES. IN COND. OFFERED)

See opp.

* Reverse is rotated 180° (as in Garrett specimen
date off planchet, except extreme

** being rare in all grades, In the condition
offered, extremely fine, it is one of the fin
known. The reverse die is inverted. The re se
is off center, as are almost all seen. The
specimen OFFERED HERE shows the top of the date numerals.
A number of the few other specimens observed
show no date at all"

THIS SPEC. is 3d finest in GCP
Tenh. C.C. after spec #2 and
Garrett, III 1355.

CONNECTICUT

Cpw #2

GRADE: OBV: VF-20 DATE: 1787

REV: VG-8 to VF-20 Miller No. 10- E

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: (R^5)(R^7)

EAC'75 L.No. 93 @$185. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: New Haven I, Company For Coining Coppers

Die Cutter(s): Hubs of A. Buel, letters, numerals, etc. added by workmen.

Diameter: 27.67x27.77 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 8.55 Grams; 132.95 Grains

EX: Bowers & Merena, Ebenezer Milton Saunders Sale, November9-11, 1987. (NO PLATE)

Lot No.: 3022 Grade VF-20 Date Acq. 11-10-87

Ser. No. US 21387 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck a little toward 1:00, or so, so that CONN are just on the edge of the flan, on a nice, glossy, flan with no defects. Dark brown fields, lighter bust. Most detail is bold and of at least Vf-20 sharpness. A late state of this die. Die has crumbled from above A of AUCTORI through R of that word about obliterating most of the word. Not as well struck up in the left shoulder mail as the Garrett III piece, L. 1355,("EF") though other detail is about equal. Superior to EAC, L. 93, overall , and, on balance, to the two specimens in the Taylor Sale, L. 2416,2417. This is the latest die state of the obverse die known to me.

REVERSE: Similar flan, coloration; no defects save two toned over old scratches vertically through middle of Ms. Liberty's figure, not detracting; unevenly struck, some details being of at least VF-20, or so, strength, (* LIB * *, globe lines, shield right frame lines. etc.) while others are considerably weaker. Date is vestigially seen. Reverse is about 90° off-set and thus date is opposite the break in AUCTORI on the obv. INDE is light and about half off the flan as is ET.

On the whole, one of the better specimens of 16-E, and interesting as a very late, if not terminal, state of the obverse die.

BETTER THAN HESSBERG: 1379, S. Merkin, Herman Sale, 9-11-74, L.244 "UNC", But most details of obv. & rev. not there.

M-1147-17

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II 3

GRADE: OBV: AXF-40 DATE: 1787

REV: AXF-40 Miller No. 11.1 - E

TYPE/
NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: M:R2 EAC:R2 GC PR4?

EAC'75 L.No. 89,342(NP) M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers _ New Haven II

Die Cutter(s) A.Buel's hubs,punct., ornaments,etc. added by apprentices, etc.

Diameter: 28.1X28.1 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 9.3 Grams: 143.52 Grains

EX: D.a.Mituzas, Jan., 1990 Fixed Price List ; Ex.Dr. Hall Collection,his att. in white ink on edge.

Lot No.: 87 Grade VF Date Acq. 2/5/90

Ser. No. US539w/5C Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: A strong, well-balanced strike on a slightly irregular flan and a trfle off-center to 9:30, or so, 'though all design elements are well into the flan. A basically smooth, light to medium brown flan, but with an area of very fine, almost unnoticeable roughness in the left field. All details are at or approaching XF-40 sharpness and uniformly so, this being most unusual for 11.1-E;cf.Oechsner,1074;B&R,RCR#15,p.9; Taylor,2418,2419 in all of which some part... of legend or other features both obv. and rev.is very lightly struck, all of these being graded VF-30 or XF-40.This coin has seen very little

actual circulation, slight wear being seen only at right shoulder mail and, possibly, in high points of leaves of wreath and hair curls.

REVERSE:Similar well-balanced strike, all design elements being evenly struck-up and no weak elements, including full, strong date. Struck slightly off-center toward about 8:00, so that INDE*ET right on edge but all on the flan. A slight rim irregularity above ET. Lovely smooth, glossy surfaces.No flan defects. A choice Connecticut, certainly Condition Census and a candidate for finest known.See GCP tentative Condition Census

CONNECTICUT

GW #5

GRADE: OBV: XF-40 DATE: 1787

REV: VF-30 to XF Miller No. 11.2-K

TYPE/
NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: R3 to R4

EAC'75 L.No 90/FtoVF/$75. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers- New Haven I

Die Cutter(s) A.Buel's comp. hubs, incl. leg. & dates, punct. etc. by workmen, apprentices, etc.

Diameter: 28.24x28.85 mm Thickness: 1.80 mm AU Gd, O.K.

Weight: 9.60 Grams: 148.15 Grains O.Cat.: 148.2 rechk 4-21-91

EX: Stack's, Herbert M. Oechsner Coll. Sale, (PLATE) Sept. 8,9, 1988; Ex. 1942 ANA Sale (Abe Kosoff) ~~L.1060.~~

Lot No.: 1076 Grade XF Date Acq. 9/9/88

Ser. No. US 980A04 Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: A nearly perfectly centered strike on a smooth, glossy, dark brown flan with no defe defects. Sharp denticles around entire circumference except from about 4:00 to 6:00. Die break between C and T of AUCTORI fine and fairly thin and apparently in an early state. Break at first C of CONNEC sharp and clear. A really insinificant clip between tip of bust and top of A of AUCTORI. The fields are extraordinarily smooth, verging on proof-like. Only the slightest amount of wear and/or weakness of strike to be seen in the highest points of leaves of wreath and hair.

REVERSE: Similarly well centered strike, possibly

even more exact than the obverse, in that the denticles are strong and sharp around the entire circumference except a short distance from B* to the left end of the date line. As on the obverse, an extraordinarily strong strike for a CONNECTICUT, with a boldness seldom encountered. One could speculate that the coiners were attempting to produce a presentation piece of some sort. The fields, like the obverse, ~~are~~ APPEAR lovely, verging on prooflike THO FINEST GRANULAR UNDER A GLASS. Nevertheless, the piece has obviously seen some wear or "cabinet friction" ONLY on the very highest points of the OBV. & REV. FIGURES. ~~design~~, although not detracting from a lovely specimen.

Superior to the Stack's, 9-10-75, L.486 spec. (Plated) "AU"; better struck at centers than the "uncirculated", Stack"s, Spence Sale spec., L.728 (plated); far superior to the NN, 63d Sale, L. 727 plated spec. "Unc."; far better than the "AU" Stack's, 6-15-84, L. 897 (plated at L. 902 as an Auctori Plebis token); far superior to the Taylor "XF", L2420 spec. FAR BETTER THAN IS EAC/90; AT LEAST EQUAL TO "THE CROSBY PLATE SPEC., P. V, 14."

A condition census spec., poss. candidate fo finest known.

<u>ADDENDUM</u>: There is a tiny clip at 8:00, obv./ 10:00, Rev., not penetrating the denticles in either case. The Break noted by Miller, betweenCT is strong and sharp. Break above first C of CONNEC (not in Miller) also clear.

#1

CW

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: AVF-20 DATE: 1787

REV: AVF-20 Miller No. 12-Q

TYPE/NICKNAME: "Second over-date" Rarity: R^4; R^6; R^5 JR

EAC'75 L.No. 96@$375.;343@30 M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers, New Haven I

Die Cutter(s):

Diameter: 27.56 X 27.46 mm Thickness: 2.00 mm

Weight: 10.19 Grams; ~~157.80~~ 157.26 Grains DIE ROT: ~~4~~ RC. 170

EX: Donald A. Mituzas rec'd 1/11/92

Lot No.: Grade F/ Date Acq. 6-25-87

Ser. No. US32409 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike; no flan defects save a fine, hairline striation across lower head which is extraordinary for 12-Q' Most details are approaching if not at VF strength. Die clashing has nearly obliterated CONNEC, and runs down into the mail at the left shoulder of the bust.

REVERSE: Struck somewhat toward 1:00, or so that Ms Liberty's extended finger on staff hand is just off the flan, but no other design details are affected. Coloration is a pleasing medium to light brown; a few hairline striae and a tiny mineral inclusion flaw at rim at Ms. Lib's left foot, all practically unnoticeable, makes this one of the finest known from the standpoint

of freedom from flan defects.All peripheral details are of VF-20 or higher sharpness, although there is weakness in lower central figure.The date, including the overdate, is, possibly the sharpest feature of the reverse. Under a glass, there is fine granularity in th fields, not distracting.

A small die break or chip is apparent opposite the stem of the branch, as seen in many plated examples.

Overall, a pleasing specimen with nice "eye ap

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#5

CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: 13-D

GRADE: OBVERSE: "Brown Uncirculated"

REVERSE: Same

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL RARITY: R-4

EAC '75 LOT No. 80 VF M. PL. No. -

MINT: MACHIN'S MILLS

Die Cutters: Atlee obverse, Rev.: Benj. Buell

DIAM: Horiz.: 27.59 Vert: 27.84 Thickness: 1.62 mm

WT.: 7.36 Grams: 113.58 Grains: Right Die Rot.: 085 °

EX.: Jeff Rock, Rosa Americana F.P.L. No.10, Spring, 1995

Lot No.: 132 Cat.Grade: Brn. UNC. Date Acq.: 4-14-95

GCP Ser.No. 2170B08 Val.$, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike. Bold and sharp. Rock: "The strike is so sharp, that you can see every single strand of hair on the obverse figure's head!" Nice dark chocolate surfaces with none of the usual flan defects. There is a tiny clip at K-5 obverse which barely touches the denticles which is at about 10:00 on reverse and is even more shallow and less noticeable as it falls above space between "INDE . ET".

REVERSE: Similar bold, sharp strike. Struck a bit toward 7:30, or so, so that INDE is right on the edge of flan, very bottoms of date numeralsare off the flan and there is a wider rim centered at about 1:00.Nice smooth surfaces with no defects.

To quotethe Rosa Americana catalogue:"The finest example of the variety ever to be offered for sale and possibly --finest known." The Crosby-Garrett coin, Garrett III:1357, "AU from a wear viewpoint." ($2700.!)had been ranked No. 1 in GCP Tent. Condition Census but will now be supplanted by the present example.

AN INCREDIBLE UNCIRCULATED MILLER 13-D

32 1787 Connecticut, Miller 13-D. Rarity-4. 114.2 grains. Choice Brown Uncirculated. A simply spectacular specimen of the variety with a bold sharp strike, full legends and date and sharp design details on either side. The strike is so sharp, that you can see every single strand of hair on the obverse figure's head! Gorgeous dark chocolate surfaces that have a good deal of underlying original mint lustre. There are no dents, nicks, scratches, green spots or any other flaws that would detract from the incredible color and surfaces of this exceptional coin; the piece is even free of the light planchet striations that are often found on the variety! There is a very tiny clip visible at K-5 on the obverse that does little more than touch the denticles and is mentioned solely for accuracy [interestingly enough, many examples of this variety do have a single clip. The Taylor coin is a good case in point]. Far and away THE FINEST EXAMPLE OF THE VARIETY TO EVER BE OFFERED FOR SALE, AND POSSIBLY THE FINEST EXAMPLE KNOWN. For years we had considered the Crosby-Garrett coin, a beautiful AU [that realized $2700], to be the finest known; this coin easily outclasses that specimen! Nothing even remotely similar has appeared since the Garrett coin over a decade ago. Taylor had an EF [at $880], the EAC '75 coin was nearly EF, Oecshner's was VF/EF [and brought $605], the Kessler-Spangenberger coin was VF and the Hessberg coin was just Fine. A simply incredible example of the variety, one of those amazing coins that "come out of the woodwork" every now and then, this particular piece having been in a nice type collection for the last three decades unattributed and unappreciated for what it was! This is also the first time that this particular example has been offered to the collecting fraternity. Phrases like "once in a lifetime" opportunity are thrown around with careless abandon, but once this coin is sold it may be some time before its new owner decides to part with it! If you want the best, search no further!.....$1749

In Walter Breen's cataloguing of the '75 EAC sale he stated that this variety was "one of the most mysterious varieties, muling an obvious Atlee obverse (punch linked with the last three lots [3-G.1, 52-G.1 and 52-G.2]) with a reverse earlier used by Buel, having the wheat-ear device puncheon or hub used on the Benjamin Buel coins of 1788. The only convincing explanation at hand is that some time in the summer of 1789 representatives of Machin's Mill bought out Benjamin Buel's equipment, as earlier with the Jarvis, Walter Mould, and Rupert, VT mints, and indiscriminately combined any usable dies." The true story of the variety may still be open to conjecture.

CONNECTICUT

Gill

GRADE: OBV: MS-60 DATE: 1787

REV: MS-60 Miller No.: 14-H #3

TYPE/NICKNAME: MBL "Arrows at Date" Rarity: (R^3) (R^4)

EAC'75 L.No. (94@$475) (94-A@$470@$145.) M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers, New Haven I

Die Cutter(s): Hubs by A. Buel comp. by workmen.

Diameter: 28.2 mm Thickness: 1.20 mm

Weight: 6.25 Grams; 96.45 Grains

EX: A. TERRANOVA, Bay State Coin Show, Boston

FOR UPDATED METROLOGY, SEE PAGE: 3

Lot No.: _____ Grade _____ Date Acq. 3-1-86

Ser. No. US 21604 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a nearly perfect flan scarcely marred by a hairline stria (due to mineral inclusion in the flan) above TOR. Coloration is a rather flat medium brown with coppery highlights on high points of design. Possibly, an uncirculated specimen! Absolutely no evidence of wear is to be seen on the highest points where usually found, such as top of right shoulder mail and left shoulder mail, top of head, wreath, etc. A fairly narrow area of striking weakness affects only bottom of second and third and fourth leaves of wreath and lower hair, undoubetedly due to

DIE CRACK?

strong relief of ~~xh~~ this design struck on a thin and underweight flan leaving insufficient metal to flow into central head and producing same light strike immediately opposite on the reverse (see below).

REVERSE: Similar bold razor sharp strike in all respects, other than the weakness in low er central figure (see above).Similar nearly flawless flan, save for two fine striae in weak area of central figure. Struck slightly off center toward 5:00, or so, but affecting no design elements. Can perceive no evidence of circulation on highest points of design. Sharpness and lack of wear reveal some details of interest.It appears that the vertical portion of E and T of ET were made from I's and the lower right seriph of E, as well as both upper seriphs ofT may have been made from the barb portion of the small pheons at the sides of the date or, at least, a ~~xxxxx~~ portion of the point end of the pheon. Also, the "pheon" following ET is quite sharp(see, W.Breen in EAC Cat., L. 94), although I am not sure that apparent pheon is not a part of the collection of odd shaped marks in this area, quite clear on this example, atributed by W. Breen to die clashing with this obv. There is either a strong die break ~~(unpublis~~ (unpublished?) vertically from dentcles to forehead of Ms. Liberty.

Probably, the second finest known to me after the AU to MS spec., L. 1359 in Garrett III which, while seemingly no sharper, does not exhibit the obv. and rev. central weakness of present coin.

Metrology taken as at: 1 / 1 /1992:
DIAM: Vert.: 28.19, Horiz. 28.34. THICKNESS, 1.20 mm
WEIGHT: 6.23 Grams, 96.14 Grains. DIE ROT.: 15° RT.

CONNECTICUT

Cow

#4

GRADE: OBV: VF-30 to XF-40 DATE: 1787

Net VF-30?

REV: ~~" F-15 to XF-40~~ AUCTORI CONNECT" Miller No. 15-F

TYPE/ NICKNAME: MBL Rarity: (R3) (R4)

EAC'75 L.No. 97 M.Pl.No.: III,#38

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutter(s) Hubs of A. Buel, letters, numerals etc. added by workmen, apprentices, etc.

Diameter: 26.94 mm Thickness: 1.20 mm

Weight: 6.0 Grams: 92.59 Grains

EX: H.R.Cairns, June 1988 FPL

FOR UPDATED METROLOGY, SEE PAGE: 2

Lot No.: Grade Net VF-30 Date Acq? 9-27-88

Ser. No. 327X59 Value as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Quite well centered strike on anice flan with no defects and smooth glossy surfaces. A few minor striae are unnoticeable except under a glass. Evenly struck, with all detail about of equal sharpness. AUCTORI sharpest. No real weakness.

REVERSE: A perfectly centered strike, as indicated by the dentils from 8:00 to 4:00, although the very bottoms of the date numerals are off the flan Very boldly struck, especially in the left half. R^U^ally, no weakness except at about 7:00 where i of date and feet of figure are vague. INDE*ET** plus the branch, arm as strong as I have seen in a Connecticut. Grapevines on shield mostly well struck-up.

Overall, superior to the Bowers and Ruddy, Jules Turoff, L.577 spec.Not quite equaal to the plated spec. in B&R, R.C.R. No. 15 spec.(Plated in RCR # 14).A condition Census candidate.

Metrology taken as at: 1 / 1 /1992

DIAM: Vert.: 26.85, Horiz. 27.42. THICKNESS, 1.30 mm

WEIGHT: 5.86 Grams, 90.43 Grains. DIE ROT.: NONE °

CONNECTICUT

C, W

GRADE: OBV: VG-8 to AVF-20 DATE: 1787

REV: F-15 to VF-20 Miller No.: 15-S

TYPE/NICKNAME: CONNECT. INDL "Fatal" / D.Brk. Rarity: High R6 J.R.

EAC'75 L.No. 99,400.; 346,300. M.Pl.No.: III,38

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutter(s):

Diameter: 27.7 mm Thickness: 1.10

Weight: 5.70 Grams; 87.96 Grains Cat. 89.3

EX: Bowers & Merena, Frederick B. Taylor Coll. Sale; Ex. R.Picker 1957 (PLATED)

FOR C. JAMES METROLOGY, SEE PAGE: 2

Lot No.: 2431 Grade VG-8 * Date Acq. 3-27-87

Ser. No. US 43589 Value: as of

Source of Value:

*"SERIOUSLY UNDERGRADED" PER J. ROCK IN SPRING '42 FPL, L.36

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike; light tan bust against medium brown fields; anatural flan depression obscures NEC*, although the T error is plain; peripheral details approach AVF-20 in sharpness, but central portion of the head, incl. wreath and hair rather flat due to both light striking and wear; fine striae are noted along rim at 5:00 and into mail of left shoulder mail. *Dep. below "fatal" break. caused by lack of metal.

REVERSE: Similar coloration; considerably stronger than obverse; peripheral details clearly fo VF-20 sharpness, incl. full strong date; usual fine stiae are not obtrusive; a straight, apparently natural flan crack runs diagonally across the huge "Fatal" die break, central details, while weaker, are all present, approaching VF

in the upper area, but less strong below Ms. Lib.'s waist.Called "Among the finest known, on a par with the --EAC specimen." in Taylor Cat. See GCP tentative Condition Census in GCP notes. This spec. is second to the '75 EAC spec., L. 99 among plated spec. in GCP Census, to da

Metrology taken AS of: 1 / 1 /1992 :
DIAM: Vert.: 27.78 Horiz. 27.45* THICKNESS, 1.20 mm
WEIGHT: 5.78 Grams, 89.19 Grains. DIE ROT.: NONE °
* FLAN IRREG.

CONNECTICUT

#5

GRADE: OBV: AU* DATE: 1787 (Low)

REV: AU Miller No. 16.1 - m

TYPE/
NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: R-4

EAC'75 L.No. 100 M.Pl.No.: m:III,43

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers, New Haven I

Die Cutter(s) Hubs of A. Buel, letters, numerals, etc. by apprentices, etc.

Diameter: 28.09X28.63 mm Thickness: 1.90 mm

Weight: 10.19 Grams: 157.26 Grains CAT: 158 GRAINS

EX: Stack's, Hessberg Sale ,6-19,20-91, Ex. Dr. Thomas Hall collection, his attribution on edge.

Lot No.: 1387 Grade VF Date Acq. 6-20-91

Ser. No. US 266X01 Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike, although a bit toward 10:00, or so, so that AUCTORI right on edge, but not affected. A glossy, light tan. All details except hair very strong and showing no wear. Very weakly struck in the hair. *Scratches in lower left field between AUC and bust. Two fairly heavy parallel 2-3 mm gouges at about figure's ear. None of these very obtrusive, witness the fact that they were missed at the exhibition!

REVERSE: Struck off-center toward 6:00 so that most of date off flan and wide denticles 9:00

to 2:00, or so.Similar flan, color etc. All detail very bold and sharp save lower middle of figure which is soft. Again, little, if any sign of wear. For strict accuracy, I note an apparently natural flan crack to left of upper shield.Also, under strong magnification, a couple of unnoticeable amost microscopic parallel scratches vertically through lower figure. An apparent hairline die crack in a nearly straight line from waist of Ms. Lib. to lower end of stem of branch.Cannot make it out in any of the plated specimens in my notes but it is so fine that it it likely would not show·Correction:crack seems to show in the plate for Pine Tree,'78 Fun Show Cat, L. 20.

Fifth finest, GCP tentative Condition Census, to date.

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CONNECTICUT ~~[illegible]~~, Coll.

#3

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: 16.2-NN.1

GRADE: OBVERSE: VF-25

REVERSE: VF-30

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL RARITY: R-5

EAC '75 LOT No. 101 (F TO VF) M. PL. No. NONE

MINT: COMPANY FOR COINING COPPERS - N. HAVEN I

Die Cutters: JOHN JARVIS

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.59 Vert: 28.38 Thickness: 1.98 mm

WT.: 9.67 Grams: 149.23 Grains: LEFT Die Rot.: 23 °

EX.: FALMOUTH STAMP & COIN

Lot No.: — Cat. Grade: — Date Acq.: 4-6-97

GCP Ser. No. 516809 Val. $ _____, as of _____

Source of value: _____

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: WELL CENTERED, ALTHO A TRIFLE TOWARD 10:00, OR SO, SO THAT AUCTOR'S RIGHT ON EDGE OF FLAN BUT NO LETTERS AFFECTED, AND WIDE DENTILS 1:00 TO 4:00, ±. STRONG LEGEND, EXCEPT L. LEG OF FIRST "N" WEAK OR MISSING. BUST STRONGLY OUTLINED, BUT INTERIOR DETAIL NOT STRUCK UP, THERE IS A DENT IN DRAPERY JUST TO RIGHT OF RIGHT EDGE OF MAIL. AN EDGE DENT AT ABOUT 3:30 ±, NOT DETRACTING. NICE DARK BROWN FIELDS, LIGHTER TAN IN BUST

REVERSE: GENERALLY SHARPER THAN OBVERSE. LIGHT TAN FIGURE AGAINST DARKER FIELDS. STRUCK SLIGHTLY TO 4:00 ± WITH FULL DENTICULATION

TWO TO 1:00 ± & ETLIB AT SEDGE.

IB AFFECTED BY EDGEDING SLIGHTLY.
SLIGHT BULGE AT UPPER END OF STAFF
FROM DENT NOTED ON OBVERSE. A
STRIATION AT UPPER LEFT EDGE OF
SHIELD, NOT DISTRACTING. DATE IS
ABOUT ONE-HALF OFF PLAN.
2 & FINEST GCP TENT. CONDITION
CENSUS.

CONNECTICUT

Coll

GRADE: OBV: F - 15 DATE: 1787

REV: F - 12 Miller No. 16.3 - 1.2

TYPE/ NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: JR:R-7 GCP:R.8 JR:R-7

EAC'75 L.No. None M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers- New Haven I

Die Cutter(s) Hubs of A. BUEL, letters, numerals, etc. added by apprentices, etc.

Diameter: 28.15X28.61 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 9.15 Grams: 141.21 Grains

EX: Dr. Thomas Hall Coll.;ex.Stack's, Hessberg Coll. Sale,

Lot No.: 1389 Grade F Date Acq. 6-20-91

Ser. No. US316G02 Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a fairly smooth , light brown flan with no defects worth note save some roughness in central head, apparently as struck from a rusted die. Some details of VF sharpness. A shallow clip at 8:00, or so. While lower bust detail is quite sharp, head detail is soft and not struck up.

REVERSE: All detail present and of about the same strength. Most of date on flan. A peppering of tiny striae over most of surface. a very rare Connecticut. None in GCP census.

There is reported to be an XF in ANS.
ONE ~~not~~ in '75 EAC L.141. NONE IN Taylor, Oechsner and other major Conn. collections.

2d FINEST KNOWN TO ME AFTER ANS XF SPEC.

CONNECTICUT

#2 MISSING coll? 10 10/4/96

GRADE: OBV: VF-20* DATE: 1787

REV: VF-20 to 30* Miller No.: 16^4-n #3

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: (R^4) (R^5)*

EAC'75 L.No. 102 @ $185. M.Pl.No.: None MHR-T

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers, New Haven I

Die Cutter(s):

Diameter: 28.2 mm Thickness: 2.01 mm

Weight: 10.04 Grams; 154.94 Grains

*Probably (R^7) (R^8)

EX: Coin Galleries, Mail Bid Sale, 2-12-15

(PLATED)

FOR UPDATED METROLOGY, SEE PAGE: 2

Lot No.: 1299 Grade VF Date Acq. 3-5-86

Ser. No. US 8750 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck slightly toward 6:00, but no design details affected, on a flan with no notable defects normally found in Connecticut coppers. However, coin has been cleaned, probably with some form of abrasive cleanerleaving fine vertical and horizontal lines evident under a glass. However, all design details are quite well struck up. Possibly has been whizzed?

REVERSE: Struck somewhat toward 11:00, or so, so that IN right on edge and DE a trifle off the flan. All design details present, although INDE and a good part of the figure and left field are pitted, probably resulting from the cleaning. Strictly from the standpoint of amount

detail present and discounting the cleaning and its effects, this may be slightly better than the E.A.C. specimen, making it the best of the only 4 + 3 G.C.P. specimens known to me.

Metrology EAC ~~EN~~ as SAT 1/3/1992:
DIAM: Vert.: 28.46, Horiz: 28.05; THICKNESS, ~~2.60~~ 2.11 mm
WEIGHT: 10.40 Grams, 160.50 Grains: ~~DIE ROT.~~: ~~60°~~ 60° a. Lrt.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF/20 toXF/40 DATE: 1787

REV: VF-20 toXF40 Miller No. 16.5-n #3

TYPE/
NICKNAME: DBL "Broken Nose" Rarity: R3/R4/GCP:R6?

EAC'75 L.No. 103 M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutter(s)

FOR UPDATED METROLOGY, SEE PAGE: 2

Diameter: 28.10 mm Thickness: 2.10 mm

Weight: 10.75 Grams: 165.90 Grains

EX: David Bland, Jr.

Lot No.: Grade XF-40 Date Acq. 11-23-88

Ser. No. US437X50 Value as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a flan with no major defects. How ever, under a glass, there is corrosion , particularly in CONNEC & in front of face. Most details are of at least VF-20 sharpness except that TO weak. Many details VF-30 to XF-40 sharpness, particularly in wreath, drapery, mail, etc. Medium to dark brown fields, lighter tan highlights.

REVERSE: Struck O.C. toward 10:00, or so, on similar flan IN right on edge of the flan, DE slightly off. Generally, all details at or approaching high VF to XF sharpness. Green verdigris above and below branch arm and generally in low ares of design elements. In spite of its problems, this may be one of

The best known of a variety which is probably much rarer than the ratings indicate. Except for the weakly struck "O" of AUCTORI, considerably sharper than EAC L. 103. THe wreath being about XF-40 in strength. The entire center of the reverse is far sharper than the EAC spec. Far sharper, over-all, than the Taylor, L.2438 spec. "VF-30" which, I believe, to be the Bowers & Ruddy, R.C.R. REv. No. 14. spec. graded "XF". None others in GCP census to date approach this.

Condition CEnsus-- Candidate for finest kno
Apparently, an early state of the obv. die, no sign of the die break beneath A of AUCTO

Metrology taken as at: 1 / 3 / 199 :

DIAM: Vert.: 28.30, Horiz. 28.68. THICKNESS, 2.10 mm

WEIGHT: 10.74 Grams, 165.74 Grains. DIE ROT.: 35 °RT.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: ~~BASH Sr.~~ abt. G DATE: 1787

REV: G to VG Miller No: 16.5 ~~16~~ R: R7

TYPE/NICKNAME: _____ Rarity: (R5) (R7 "HiR")

EAC '75 Lot No: 104 M. Plate No: ____

MINT: COMPANY FOR COINING COPPERS - N. HAVEN I Die Cutter: _____

Diameter: ____ MM Thickness: _____ mm

FOR UPDATED METROLOGY, SEE PAGE: 2

Weight: 9.50 Grams; 146.61 Grains

EX: Robert A. Slack, Bay State Coin Show. Boston.

one of only 3 traceable to 3/84

Lot No.: V LOT No 15 Grade — Date Acq. 3-19-84

Ser. No. US7155 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

Obverse: Apparently struck from a terminal state of the die on a light ton flan with no major defects except a small mint clip at 5:00, or so. Alternately smooth and somewhat granular overall. "AUC" of "AUCTORI" and "EC" of "CONNEC" legible but rest of legend either very light or not there. The Miller notes break into field from left foot of "A" in THEM or is break diagonally across breast seen clearly in the EAC plate. Attribution is correct

Reverse: Much stronger overall sp. at left side. "INDE", branch and arm

all wills about VF sharpness as as
left and upper figure
left side of Liberty. Rest of figure legend
"ET LIB" barely visible as is date. Lemon
fine granularity. Nice color.
No appearance in Cole. Cents (6/3/84)
exc. M. Bryan Sale (HASCA 11.2.77) lot 19
graded VG but description sounds
very similar to present specimen. (not
plated). Rare in mint for Connecticut
collections auctioned and evident in
sale census to date. None in B+R
"R.C.R." #12.15.19. Silver strip None in ANS Quinnipiac
The Ex specimen is amazing.
Brown in EAC Cat "Historic, V. Rose..."

Metrology taken as at: 1/24/1992

DIAM: Vert.: _____, Horiz. _____, THICKNESS, _____ mm

WEIGHT: _____ Grams, _____ Grains. DIE ROT.: _____

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: ~~VG-F~~ F-12 DATE: 1787

REV: F+15 Miller No.: 16 6-AN2

TYPE/NICKNAME: _____ Rarity: (R6) (R6+)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 105-235 M. Plate No.: _____

PRINT: Company for Coining Coppers Die Cutter(s): _____

Diameter: _____ mm Thickness: _____ mm

Weight: 9.15 Grams; 141.21 Grains

EX: Mike Quigley, Sept. 84 List

Lot No.: 5 Grade: VG-F Date Acq. 10.1.84

Ser. No. 168600 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: struck slightly toward 12:00, or so so that top of W rests is right on the edge. However all detail is well on the flan. Capsule smooth offering, but finely granular, deep brown flan with lighter reddish highlights. A few details worthy of V-shortness ("CONNEC:") other than those like F. No flan defects except a slightly rolled edge above "VCTO."

Reverse: Well centered strike on a similar flan. Figure weakly struck at lower center. Dot "17" date weak but all other detail present. Apparent die break or crack

near rim at 1:00, or ∞.

Present coin is not quite equal to the EAC example, but far superior to the J. Turoff Sale, 10.11.76, Lot 582, the only altered plated coin in GCP survey. Of 10 in GCP survey (to date) only the EAC coin when approaches VF. 3 altered, incl. GCP spec in F, remainder only VG or lower; 2 cleaned, few with full date.

Present coin is condition census, apparently. Currently 2nd best known to me, GCP Tentative Condition Census:

1 F to VF (GCP) EAC 75 Lot 105 - GCP GRADE "F-to VF" (Plated)

2 F-12/15, GCP, ex M. Rugo "F-12/15"

3 F B&R, Willing Sale, 6.24.76, L. 801

4 F-12, NERCG, Bi-Cent. Publicity II, 7.23.76 L 63

5 VG - B&R, "RCR" #2 15, 19

6 VG - B&R, J Turoff Sale, L 582 (Plated)

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F-12 DATE: 1787

REV: F-15 Miller No.: 17-g^3

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: (R^3) (R^5)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 128@$60 M. Plate No.: none

MINT: Jarvis & Co. Die Cutter(s): A.Buel's

New Haven II hubs, Comp by app.,etc.

Diameter: 2.80 mm Thickness: .12 mm

Weight: 10.15 Grams; 156.64 Grains

FOR UPDATED METROLOGY, SEE PAGE (BELOW)

EX: Robert A. Vlack, Bay State CoinShow, Boston

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 11-18-84

Ser. No. US 4252 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike, on a fairly smooth flan with no defects. Dark to medium brown in color. The bust has little detail in the interior portions, although well outlined.

REVERSE: Generallly similar. Lighter devices against a dark background. Nearly all detail quite strong, except in lower central figure, which is quite weak.

Overall, an acceptable coin for the grade.

Metrology, Updated: 1/24/1992:

DIAM: Vert.: 28.08, Horiz. 28.42 THICKNESS, mm

WEIGHT: 10.20 Grams, 157.41 Grains. DIE ROT.: 10° R. (C.C.W.)

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CONNECTICUT

Gbb #6

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: 17 - g.3

GRADE: OBVERSE: VF-30 some det. XF-40

REVERSE: Same

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL RARITY: Low R-4

EAC '75 LOT No. 28, AVF, @$60. M. PL. No. None

MINT: Jarvis & Co.- New Haven II

Die Cutters: A. Buel's hubs comp. by apprentices, etc.

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.53 Vert: 27.81 Thickness: 1.81 mm

WT.: 9.93 Grams: 153.24 Grains: left Die Rot.: 11 °

EX.: Russell R. Smith, Colonial Trading Co., Inc. NENA Show, Worcester, Ma., 9-25-93

Lot No.: - Cat. Grade: XF Date Acq.:

GCP Ser. No. US645M 07 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a lovely, light tan flan with no flan problems. A small rim dent at tip of wreath is noted for strict accuracy and future identification.
A nice well-balanced strike with all details fairly enenly struck up although drapery, for example is at or approaching XF sharpness. Legend uniformly sharp. A few light roller flan marks in hair at back of face, not detracting.

REVERSE: Struck toward 7:00, or so, daye numerals 1/2 tp 1/3 off as is end of Ms. Lib.'s foot. All design elements present and at least VF-30 in sharpness. The only defect is an area of gray discoloration in lower right fieldand across the shield. Otherwise, no defects save an edge irregularity at about 5:00 to 7:00 opposite the dent noted at tip of wreath on obverse. Upper right seriph of T united to the hyphen as noted in Miller.

A high Condition Census specimen. $th finest in GCP Tent. Codition Census to date.

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CONNECTICUT

Coll. II.3

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: ~~18 - g.1~~

GRADE: OBVERSE: AXF-40

REVERSE: AXF-40

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL RARITY: R-4(too low)

EAC '75 LOT No. 129/VF@$425. M. PL. No. None

MINT: Jarvis & Co. - New Haven II

Die Cutters: Hubs by A. Buel- punct.,ornaments, etc. added by apprentices, etc.

DIAM: Horiz.: ~~28.47~~ Vert: 28.22 Thickness: 1.64 mm

WT.: ~~8.26~~ Grams: ~~127.47~~ Grains: Left Die Rot.: 5 °

EX.: Colonial Trading Co., Inc.; ExNorweb (per Col. Trading)I find only spec. in Lot 2512:F-15"

Lot No.: "VF-XF" Cat. Grade: _____ Date Acq.: _____

GCP Ser. No. US540F09 Val. $ _____, as of _____

Source of value: _____

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: About perfectlv centered strike on a dark brown, finely-granular flan with no defects worth mention save a fine, short flaw across O of CONNEC and a couple of short striae in lower hair. All details quite sharp and exhibiting no signs of circulation.

REVERSE: Similar color, strike and centering to obverse. All details stronger, if anything, than obverse. Similar micro-granular surfaces with no defects except

a fairly shallow flaw between lleft edge of shield and globe.

A Condition Census specimen. I am finding it difficult to place this in my Tentative Census but, arguably, is second finest.

CONNECTICUT

Conn 1787

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL #1

GRADE: OBV: ~~VF-40~~ MILLER NO.: 19-J4

REV: VF-30 RARITY: SHELDON: JR2 EAC R3 *

(Possibly XF) RARITY: M: R2 JR3

EAC '75 Lot No. 130 M. Plate NO.

Diameter: mm Thickness: mm

Weight: 9.3 Grams; 143.52 Grains

Ex: Olde Town Coins, PO Box 4028, Brockton, Mass. 02403. E. Freetown Coin Show, 10/30/83

FOR UPDATED METROLOGY, SEE PAGE: 2

* Early die state, possibly R4+ (needs further research)

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq. 10-30-83

Ser. No. US41650 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

General: Nice strong strike both obv. and rev. Nice planchet with no important defects.

Obverse: Medium red-brown nice, glossy planchet with surface of an XF. Everything strong and sharp. Lines of wreath joined as is apparently characteristic of this die. See EAC No. 130. exhibiting same feature. Slight edge ding at 4:00, or so. Slight edge depression above "NNEC" (as made?). Edge bump at 7:00. None of foregoing distract from a lovely Connecticut.

Reverse: Lighter brown planchet, no defects except edge bump at 3:30 or so. Smaller one at 4:00. All detail quite strong and sharp. Esp. at FULL characters due below from below "I" / "E"

lower left serif of "N" (see EAC plate coin)

On reexamination, at least one feature raises some questions as to yes. all. The lower part of the stem on my example is long, narrow and ends in an attenuated needle like point. The EAC example (#130) ~~ends~~ is short & blunt. So also is stem in photo sent by David Bland Sr. Also, there is no sign of the characteristic decrease thru the date or the bulge around the date. Also, on the obv. the EAC coin seems to have lacks of hair at the ear, where my coin seems to have one or more.

Possibly, MCS spec. may be a very early die state & the EAC a very late one.

YES !!

a condition curse coin. Possibly one of three or so finest known, both the B&B, R.C.R. No 14, 860 plates spec & EAC 130 are late die state spec, while this spec is an early die state with no sign of the die bulge under date and fresh, rough date.

a candidate for finest known!

Metrology taken as at: / /19 :

DIAM: Vert.: _____, Horiz. _____. THICKNESS, _____ mm

WEIGHT: _____ Grams, _____ Grains. DIE ROT.: _____°

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-20 to VF-30 DATE: 1787 4 4

REV: Same Miller No. 19 - g.4

TYPE/
NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: EAC:R.2

EAC'75 L.No. 130 M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Jarvis & Co. New Haven II

Die Cutter(s) Hubs of Abel Buel- punct.,etc.added by apprentices, workmwn, etc.

Diameter: 27.9X28.1 mm Thickness: 1.90 mm

Weight: 10.15 Grams: 156.64 Grains. REv.normal.

EX: Mike Ringo, Bay State Coin Show, Boston, Ma.

Lot No.: _____ Grade _____ Date Acq. _____

Ser. No. US 325Q07 Value _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: About perfectly centered strike on a pleasing medium brown flan. with no defects. Peripheral details are VF-20 to VF-30, except in the area of weakness at the very top of the head opposite and caused by the die bulge in and above the date on the obverse which left insufficient metal for the obverse details. A nice, smooth flan with no defects save a very minor fine mineral inclusion striae in neck. There are two tiny die anomalies more or less ina linefrom figure's forehead toward O of AUCT-ORI, from which a another short line extends in line with the others. These are also to be seen

EAC L. 130, except that the short line from the O cannot be made out. These do not seem to be die cracks. IN the Taylor Catalogue, they are called "die chips".

REVERSE: Perfectly centered; nice medium brown flan, smooth and glossy, with no defects. Legend of at least VF-30 sharpness, except third cross a trifle weaker than the others. Figure details mostly all strong and sharp. Diagnostic break below IN present. The large die bulge at bottom of figure obscures tops of most date numerals.

Probably, a condition census specimen of the late die state of this variety.

19-9.4

Early dec slate
(No. ver. bulge)

Intermediate -
Small ver bulge

By "RCR" #4 P60 - 2 days over
ver hedg - dk lines in
obv nose into hair
maybe best listed - slate #109 -

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CONNECTICUT

#2

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: 20-a.2

GRADE: OBVERSE: VF-30

REVERSE: VF-30

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL RARITY: R-4

EAC '75 LOT No. 121 XF-40 plus M. PL. No.

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers- New Haven I

Die Cutters:

DIAM: Horiz.: 28.47 Vert: 27.98 Thickness: 1.68 mm

WT.: 8.49 Grams: 131.02 Grains: left Die Rot.: 12 °

EX.: McCawley & Gellman, Griffee Sale, 10-21-95, L. 283. (Plated)

Lot No.: 283 Cat. Grade: VF-30 Date Acq.: 10-21-95

GCP Ser. No. 43X 524 Val. $, as of

Source of value:

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: struck off-center toward 1:00, or so, so that "X CON" from one-half to just off the flan. Planchet cutter mark about 12:00 to 2:00. A finely granular flan with a fine line of striae from corner of mail at right shoulder, through A of AUCTORI TO RIM. Pleasing light olive toning, legend lighter. Most detail at or approaching XF-40 sharpness.

REVERSE: Struck off-center toward 5:00, or so, with two-thirds of the date off flan. Dark olive toning with lighter devices. Some fine fine striations between lower staff and left edge of shield. Not too far from XF-40 sharpness.

A Condition Census specimen. The Bowers, Arnold & Romisa:634 XF toAU is extraordinary, as cat. says. Oechsner: 1090 "XF" is not far behind although light in center obv. drapery and rev. head; Hessberg;1396 may have been recolored but AU; '75 EAC:121, XF plus is very light in upper reverse. These probably exceed present specimen. However, Taylor:2444 and B&M, Sipe-Ness:384, "VF" fall below the present specimen. So, I call this #5 in GCP tent. C.C. As noted in Griffee Cat, variety not present in many notable collections.

SCARCE M.20-a.2

283 1787 CONNECTICUT M.20-a.2 DBL (R-4) VF30 131.1 gns. Rarity rating traditional, seemingly scarcer. Mid to light olive tones on a granular but presentable planchet. A few contact marks on each side, none very significant. A planchet cutters arc line running parallel to and near the obverse rim from 12:00 to 3:00. The obverse is off center high and to the right, the reverse low and to the right with two thirds of the date off the flan. Some small striations at the reverse shield and globe. This coin possibly falls within the Condition Census. The finest examples we currently know of are the AU Hessberg/Hall coin, and the 1975 Pine Tree EAC coin which was described as "Extremely Fine would be conservative for this extraordinary coin... traces of mint red around letters". Both of those coins had relatively weak strikes, on the reverse particularly this coin has some areas showing greater detail than either of them. The Taylor VF30 showed similar obverse detail but more reverse weakness, specifically at Liberty's head which often is quite weak on this variety but actually sharp on the current coin. Oechsner had an EF, again with weakness at Liberty's head. The ANS coin has been described as "Very Fine. Smooth medium brown. Localized weakness affecting head on reverse seated figure". Norweb had a F12 in a group lot, Picker Reference a weak Technical Fine. Continuing; the Appelton-MHS coin was VG as was the 1976 EAC coin, the 7/76 NERCA coin was called F12 as was the Turoff coin. Stack's 2/93 sale had a "flawed About VF" coin in a group lot. For a coin supposedly only R-4 it is worth noting some of the sales that lacked it. They include Garrett, Roper and Picker I, the Boyd, Brand & Ryder sale, Schenkel and seemingly all the recent major runs of Connecticut coppers auctioned over the last three years excepting the 3/94 sale.

CONNECTICUT

Gen #1

GRADE: OBV: F+ F-15? DATE: 1787

REV: F+ Miller No.: 21-D

TYPE/NICKNAME: _____ Rarity: (R4)(R6 EAC)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 131 @ 135. M. Plate No.: III, #41

MINT: Jarvis & Co. Die Cutter(s): A. Buel

(New Haven) (II) with punct. by apprentice, etc.

Diameter: ~~9.33~~ mm Thickness: _____ mm

Weight: 9.33 Grams; 143.99 Grains

EX: Paul Kagin, Ltd

Lot No.: — Grade F Date Acq. 6-30-84

Ser. No. 457659 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck slightly toward 1:00, or so, so that 2nd cross and "CO" on first on edge of flan, on a nice light tan flan with no major defects. However, there are fine striae running NE to SW, mostly resulting detracting except for heavier one across nose and forehead. All detail present and fairly strong. From an early die state with the dashes at the second cross present. (Cf. the EAC, Lot 131 specimen in "a late lapped state with dashes no longer visible") (also the only state Miller illustrates)

Reverse: Similar. Struck to 5:00, or

RC. Only upper portion of distortion but does not offset other detail. Center of figure soft struck and/or showing honest wear.

Overall an acceptable specimen of a coin which is apparently quite scarce in higher grades. Present coin is superior to the EAC specimen on balance. Survey shows 10 appearances incl. the EAC coin. Of these only 4 grade F or better with only the VF in the Jarroff (B+R) sale, $587 (VF being better than F+. A condition census candidate & possibly one of finest known.

NOTE: No. 4 in CCC PENT-COND CENSUS. Only Miller Plate III, Norweb L.2515 and Fogler L.2446 seem better. This close to Norweb and Fogler and superior to the EAC L.131 sp and B+M Buchanan, Smith, L.2724 (Mint att. or 3(7)?). Above are only plated spec in CCC survey to date.

CONNECTICUT

Cow

Poss.:AU

GRADE: OBV: F-12 to XF-40/ DATE: 1787 #3

REV: VF-20 to XF-40 Miller No. 22-g.2

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: R5/R7/R6-M EAC Nor.

EAC'75 L.No. 132/VF/$250. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Jarvis & Co. - New Haven II.

Die Cutter(s): Hubs of A. Buel comp. bv apprentices, etc. FOR UPDATED METROLOGY, SEE PAGE: 2

Diameter: 28.30 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 9.55 Grams; 147.38 Grains N:147.9

EX: Bowers & Merena, Norweb II Sale

Lot No.: 2516 Grade ~~VF-35~~ F-12 to 15 Date Acq. 3-25-88

Ser. No. US 317H60 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck off-center toward 12:00, or so, so that tip of wreath, first cross and C of CONNEC right on edge of flan: broad sharp denticles tapering from 2:00 to 7:00, or so. on a pleasing light brown flan with none of the common pre-striking flan defects. However, there are a few light handling marks, scarcely noticeable except under a glass. The most noticeable two in the cheek bone of the bust, similar to bag marks, not detracting. Sharpness ranges from VF-30 (a few details to XF-40) to F-15 (RI, top of wreath). Little actual wear evident. Original mint lustre visible in protected areas. Fairly late die state. The break in field between bottom of bust and milling is

quite strong and sharp.

REVERSE: Rotated about 45°;well centered str
Peripheral details VF-20-~~30~~ XF40, weaker at lower
center of the figure, still quite bold.
Fairly late die state; deterioration OR SIGNS OF DIE CLASHING around
Ms. Lib's left hand. A few handling marks,
lighter than those on obverse; a tiny
mineral inclusion flaw in first cross;
date opposite weak area on obverse, is
a little weak, ER BUT ALL FAIRLY WELL-DEFINED as well as disturbed slight-
ly by some some V.FINE striae .
The Norweb cataloguer's grading on this
piece ("F12-15") is only understandable as some
sort of mistake or aberration.
This deserves more study as being, possibl
the Crosby 22-c. There is no evidence of
a hyphen in ETLIB; arguably, there is no
dash before the first cross.There is a
flan crack in the right arm of the cross
which which seems to separate it from the
cross, but a comparison with the left han
arm of the cross indicates that there is
no dashbefore the cross.
Condition census. A candidate for finest
known. A variety with a very low average
condition.The Taylor, L.2447 spec. is
more evenly struck but rough;'75 EAC, L.
132 has massive flan flaws.Have record of
no other to better this.So is, at least,
in top three known to me. Finest, GCP
Tentative Condition Census, 1-28-92.

Metrology taken as at: 1 29 92
DIAM: Vert. 28.41, Horiz. 28.79. THICKNESS, 1.70 mm
WEIGHT: 9.57 Grams, 147.69 Grains. DIE ROT.: 45 °(R) (C.W.)

NB: I regard this as one of the most notable coins in this collection!

CONNECTICUT Gw 1787 #1

GRADE: OBV: F-15 DATE: _____

REV: F-12 Miller No: 24-g3

TYPE/NICKNAME: _____ Rarity: (R4 M) (R5* EAC) JR: R4

EAC '75 Lot No: 133 M. Plate No: —

MINT: Jarvis & Co Div 1, Gr. A New Haven, Ct "CROSSES ON BOTH SIDES" Die Cutter: Abel Buel & Apprentices etc.

Diameter: _____ MM Thickness: _____ mm

Weight: 8.8 Grams; 135.1 Grains

EX: Mike Ringo, Zab. lis Lot 38

*PROBABLY R7 ± - ONLY 5 IN GCP CENSUS TO 11/1/86

Lot No.: _____ Grade F Date Acq. 2-25-84

Ser. No. US 5350 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

Obverse: Pleasing light tan, glossy planchet but with some porosity visible under gloss; some detail of VF or so grade but very weak at upper left as usual "RI" about invisible, so is forehead of figure; also light in drapery.

Reverse: Similar, but no porosity; "IN" light; also, weak at upper right; left arm and staff not there. "E" of "ET LIB" very light. Struck slightly toward 6:00 with bottoms of data off flan

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Cow #4

CONNECTICUT

DATE: 1787

MILLER NO.: 24 - g.3

GRADE: OBVERSE: Tech.: VF-20-30

REVERSE: VF-20-30 (See desc.)

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL RARITY: JR: 4too 1 ov ?

EAC '75 LOT No. 133 M. PL. No. None

MINT: Jarvis & Co. - New Haven II

Die Cutters: Hubs of A.Buel, inc. legend-punct. added by apprentices, etc.

DIAM: Horiz.: 27.99 Vert: 28.17 Thickness: 1.91 mm

WT.: 9.03 Grams: 139.35 Grains: _____ Die Rot.: Norm

EX.: Steve D'agostino, p.o.Box 1580, Redlands Ca. 92373

Lot No.: _____ Cat.Grade: _____ Date Acq.: 7/92

GCP Ser.No. US97E56 Val.$ _____, as of _____

Source of value: _____

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DESCRIPTION:

OBVERSE: Well centered strike on a granular flan with gray-brown fields and coppery devices. May have been cleaned or subjected to some form of chemical agent. Except for AUC which is weak, all legend and devices are quite sharp and exhibiting little, if any, wear.

REVERSE: Similar in all respects to obverse. NDE light opposite AUC on obverse. All else quite strong and of at least VF20-30 sharpness.

Technically, possibly the second finest known to me after Taylor:2448.Unfortunately, the granularity and unnatural toning require some grade subtraction. Still, an interesting example of a variety which I feel is underrat as to rarity, and which comes in very low grades. Still, only two plated in GCP list.

Newark

coll

CONNECTICUT

1787
DBL

GRADE: OBV: ~~VG~~ O.A. F-15 MILLER NO.: 24-g[5]
REV: ~~VG~~ O.A. F-15 RARITY: SH/EAC: R[6]
RARITY: M: R[4]

EAC '75 Lot No. 134 M. Plate No. -
Diameter: mm Thickness: mm
Weight: 8.5 Grams; 131.18 Grains
Ex: Brockton Coin Show

Lot No.: Grade: Date Acq. 11-28-82
Ser. No. U.S. 2250 Value: $ as of
Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Dark gray-brown, bust lighter; struck about 10% or more off-center toward about 5:00; lower portion of bust off planchet but first cross and final colon mostly on planchet (lower dot of last colon partly off); planchet striations across planchet from about 1:00 to 3:00 or so, "CONN" mostly not visible; "E" partly visible; "C" mostly O.K., but top of "C" at edge of planchet; fairly heavy planchet defect about at ear of bust. Except for off-center strike, obverse compares favorably with EAC specimen. "AUCTORI" OF VF-20± SHARPNESS
REVERSE: Gray, steely planchet; figure and legend farily strong except final colon weak; reasonably smooth planchet for grade, but granular, underglass with v. fine striations running SW to NE through date, shield. Date mostly not visible, as in EAC coin. L.R. QUADRANT WEAK.
SECOND FINEST KNOWN TO ME. SEE REP CONDITION CENSUS

CONNECTICUT

AF-12 Gill? #2

GRADE: OBV: ~~AVF-20~~ (where st.up) DATE: 1787

REV: Same Miller No. 24-g.5

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: R-5

EAC'75 L.No. 134 VF $160. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Jarvis & Co. - New Haven II

Die Cutter(s): Hubs of A. Buel - Punct., ornaments, etc, added by workmen, apprentices, et

Diameter: 28.07X28.09 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 10.15 Grams; 156.64 Grains

EX: Donald A. Mituzas

Lot No.: _____ Grade _____ Date Acq. 11-18-91

Ser. No. US 97R56 Value: _____ as of ____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck slightly off center toward about 1:00; tip of wreath, second cross and "CO" a little off flsn; nice light tan, smooth flan with none of the usual flan defects. However, a die collapse has caused a bulge which has obliterated all but "ORI" of the legend on the left side. Other details are of atleast F-12 strength.

REVERSE: Similar flan, coloration, etc. Legend after "I" of "I" of "INDE" not there (behind missing legend on obverse). Remaining details all there but but light. Date mostly off flan. Despite problems, possibly a condition census candidate.

CONNECTICUT

Coll

GRADE: OBV: VF-20-30* DATE: 1787

REV: same Miller No.: 24-FF

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: (R^7)*

EAC'75 L.No. 135 @$225. M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Jarvis & Co. (New Haven II)

Die Cutter(s): Hubs of A.Buel,punctetc. by Wk'men

Diameter: 28.2 mm Thickness: 1.80 (!) mm

Weight: 9.85 Grams; 152.0 Grains

EX: Peter Boisvert, Mayflower II, 19 Conn. approval lot.

*Note: Probably should be R^8.

Lot No.: 10 Grade Date Acq. 2-9-87

Ser. No. US 82250 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Quite well centered strike on a decent (except as noted) med. brown flan. Lower ~~left~~ RIGHT quadrant detail largely obliterated either by die or post-striking damage; a small mint clip at about 8:00. Otherwise, detail is VF-20-30 in sharpness. Full, sharp wreath, hair detail and CONN of the legend NEC missing, as noted above.

REVERSE: Struck slightly to 6:00, or so; just bases of numerals off flan. The damage noted with respect to the obv. affects upper right quadrant. ET LIB not there; other details are F to VF-20 at least in strength. The mint clip is at 11:00, or so.

A rare Connecticut in any grade. Only seven in GCP Census to date, mostly in very low grades. In spite of its obvious problems, this has to

be considered one of the best known of the variety.A prime example of the Connecticuts that cannot be rejected out of hand because of their condition.

Finest, GCP Tentative Condition Census, as at 1-27-92.

#1

CONNECTICUT 1787

Crosby II, p. 187 #17

GRADE: OBV: ~~XF-40~~ MILLER NO.: 25-b

REV: ~~XF-40~~ RARITY: SH/EAC: R^5

~~or better~~ RARITY: M: R^3

EAC '75 Lot No. 122 M. Plate No. Not Listed

Diameter: _____ mm Thickness: _____ mm

Weight: 9.4 Grams; 145.07 Grains

Ex: Bowers & Marena, George D. Hatie Coll. Auct.

Flip card accompanies. Plated. Coin is nearly or at XF-40 except for lightness in "EC" on obv. and "ET" on reverse. PLATED

DIAM. 28.0 MM THICKNESS: 1.70 MM 8/3-4-5/83

Lot No.: ~~122~~ OK Grade: "VF OR BETTER" Date Acq. _____

Ser. No. U.S. 73308 Value: $ _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

GENERAL: Nice medium to light brown, glossy planchet; well centered strike on obverse, reverse struck slightly to 6:00 so that bottom of numerals of date are off the planchet.

OBVERSE: Sharply struck except "EC" of "CONNEC" somewhat light, all details of bust very sharp as is punctuation in first cross and in 3rd cross.

REVERSE: Similar; lightly struck in "ET" of "ET LIB"; otherwise all sharp and bold. A nice Connecticut. Date about one-half off planchet.

Possibly, one of finest known, on balance superior to EAC Lot 122 coin described as "second in our experience only to the unlocated Crosby plated coin" --- "Merkin 10.31.83 sale Lot 166, coin (not plated) referred to in EAC Cat. indexed as VF; "an excellent sharpness strike, well centered, full date -- all details sharp and clear." Sound, perhaps better.

than either the EAC coin or the present specimen but difficult to judge without a plate. Certainly the Crosby plate coin (Plate V, at p. 187, No. 17) is superior to both, being, evidently, uncirculated and with all detail sharp and bold except date about one-half off the flan.

This is just below Taylor 2451, because "ET" on her, not there, apparently due to die damage.

CONNECTICUT

Cove

TYPE/NICKNAME: _____

GRADE: OBV: VG-8 MILLER NO.: 25-m

REV: VG-7 RARITY: SHELDON: Hir6 Ex. Pos R7

RARITY: M: R5

EAC '75 Lot No. 168 M. Plate NO (m) Pl. III, #43

Diameter: _____ mm Thickness: _____ mm

Weight: 8.9 Grams; 137.35 Grains

Ex: PETER BOISVERT, ARNODAL LOT OF 15 PIECES

Lot No.: — Grade — Date Acq. 11.14.83

Ser. No. US2407 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

General: Struck on a somewhat granular red + brown planchet; a trifle irregular in shape.

Obverse: A very late, probably terminal state of this die; legend all present and quite strong, but detail light except wreath quite strong; numerous roughly parallel die breaks throughout, in upper left quadrant of coin and in area of lower right area of bust. Die cracks not yet have spread long after this strike.

Reverse: All detail softly rounded and light but present. Reverse die also is deteriorating with numerous web-like die cracks, especially in "I" and "E" of "INDE", in field from 12:00 around to 4:00 and in date area. An interesting coin!

#2

CONNECTICUT

Cov

GRADE: OBV: G-6 to AVF-20 DATE: 1787

REV: VG-7 to VF-20 Miller No. 25-m

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: R.6

EAC'75 L.No. 118 M.Pl.No.: III,43(m)

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutter(s): Hubs of A. Buel - punctuation, ornaments, etc. added by apprentices, laborers, etc.

Diameter: 27.62X28.51 mm Thickness: 1.65 mm

Weight: 8.95 Grams; 138.12 Grains

EX:

Lot No.: Grade Date Acq.

Ser. No. 9507 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck off-center toward 7:00, or so, so that lower point of bust right on edge or just off the flan, AUCTOR from 2/3 to 1/4 off the flan. A nice smooth light tan flan with no defects. Lower interior bust detail mostly not there due to light striking and/or wear. Upper hair and wreath detail much stronger. CONNEC of full VF sharpness, AUCTORI a bit lighter.

REVERSE: Much better centered strike, although a trifle toward 1:00 with Ms. Lib.'s head right on edge. There is, possibly, a very shallow

clip above 2d and 3d cinquefoils. All periheral details are at least VF-20 strength ; a full strong date, dateline. Figure boldly outlined but interior detail not struck up. Later die state than EAC:118; small line between "87", die bulging slightly above figure's right shoulder and in and around "N" of INDE.

A Condition Census candidate, No. 5 in GCP Tent. C.C. (July,'91)

CONNECTICUT

Coll

GRADE: OBV: F-15 to XF-40 (Breen: "AXF") DATE: 1787

REV: VG-8 to XF-40 Miller No. 26-a.1 #2

TYPE/
NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: R5M; R6EAC; R6T

EAC'75 L.No. 123/$325; 123A M.Pl.No.: None

MINT: Company for Coining Coppers-New Haven I

Die Cutter(s)

Diameter: 28.0X28.3 mm Thickness: 1.70 mm

Weight: 9.65 Grams: 148.92 Grains

EX: McLaughlin & Robinson Sale, June 29, 1988,
Ex Pine Tree, 1975 EAC Sale, LOt 123. PLATED

Lot No.: 115 Grade None Date Acq. 6-29-88

Ser. No. US 859193 Value as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Struck off-center toward 9:00, or so, so that AUCTORI IS RIGHT ON THE EDGE OR slightly off the flan; wide denticles from 1:00 to 4:00; a very shallow clip above I of AUCTORI strangely seems not to have affected the I. The general impression is of an extremely boldly struck Connecticut, the legend as strong as I have seen and all other details showing only striking weakness and little, if any, wear. Light tan coloration with some signs of faded mint bloom. Some flan roller marks under a glass in higher portions of the figure. Sharp, parallel breaksfrom rim at about 5:00 into drapery.

REVERSE: Similar flan, coloration. Peripheral details sharp and bold, including full, strong date, although head of figure and third cross are very light. Faded mint bloom also evident in fields. Break from rim to top right seriph of L (noted by Miller) sharp; an apparent break from first 7 through 8 to second 7 of date not in Miller; another from pole to left touching fourth cross and fading into field above Ms. Lib's head. Described in the EAC Catalogue as: "Exceptionally choice for the rarity, finest we have seen or heard of.--- Apparently ex Stepney Hoard." @$325.
Accompanied by a FIRST Coinvestors Certificate of genuineness and grade "About Extremely Fine" signed by Walter Breen and Don Taxay, with a photo of obv.

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1787
DBL

GRADE: OBV: ~~VF 30 to~~ XF-40 MILLER NO.: 26-kk[1]
REV: VF-30 ~~to XF~~ RARITY: SH/EAC: R[6]
RARITY: M: R[4]
EAC '75 Lot No. 119 M. Plate No. -
Diameter: mm Thickness: mm
Weight: 8.20 Grams; 126.55 Grains
Ex: Michael J. Kirzner, Boston, MA
"AUCTORI ET LIB"

Lot No.: Grade: Date Acq. 8-6-71
Ser. No. U.S. 742508 Value: $ 175.00 as of
Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

GENERAL: One of the "INDE ET LIB" variaties; lovely, dark chocolate, smooth, glossy planchet with no defects; struck slightly to 12:00, or so, on obverse.

OBVERSE: Light even wear in wreath, drapery. Diagnostic breaks through toga strong; bold, strong strike. Very strong, sharp legend.
REVERSE: Diagnostic bulge in "IND"; there appears, also, to be one between "E" and "T"; edge bulge appears above end of staff, as in Garrett Coin, Lot 1360; only very tops of date on planchet. *seems better than Garrett plate coin, Lot No. 1360 graded VF. Garrett catalogue states "Richard Picker reports having seen only a very few specimens, and of these none have been in sharper grades." A lovely Connecticut!

maybe finest known.

* As in Garrett coin This

for superior of the EAC Coin ~~called~~
~~"beautiful and probably finest known of the great rarity~~

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: F-10 to VF-20 DATE: 1787 Cour

REV: VF-20 Miller No.: 26-AA

TYPE/NICKNAME: _____ Rarity: (R3) (R4 AC) (R5)

EAC '75 Lot No.: 124 @ 90- M. Plate No.: —

MINT: NEW HAVEN I Die Cutter(s): _____

COMPANY FOR COINING COPPERS

Diameter: _____ mm Thickness: _____ mm

Weight: 8.52 Grams; 136.12 Grains

EX: Paul Kagin, Ltd

Lot No.: "C86" Grade F Date Acq. 6-30-84

Ser. No. US 9555 Value: _____ as of _____

Source of Value: _____

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Well centered strike on a smooth, light tan flan with no defects except some mineral-inclusion small pits above "EC" of "CONNEC", not detracting. Legend and punctuation quite strong except upper dot of lost color not visible. Drapery detail softly struck or somewhat worn but generally very pleasing. Painted in greenish white paint in left lower field "26NC". meaning? ("Not in Crosby"?) Note: There does not appear to be a 26-AA in Crosby's table. Early die state, no breaks in drapery.

Reverse: Similar color and flan with only slight nick and flan inclusion defects

above "TL" of "ET LIB". Struck toward 10:30, or so, but not affecting any design details. Full strong date and all other legend features.

Really, an extremely nice Connecticut w lady, overall, perhaps is worthy of a higher grade than striking and wear would dictate.

This is particularly true in view of the low-condition census (N.C.P. tentative). Of 10 appearances, including EAC specimen, only 2 are for better (VF & F to VF) & all for lower. Pure free EAC is only plated coin. Conclude that Broadcoin may be among best known and possibly is condition census.

CONNECTICUT

GRADE: OBV: VF-30 DATE: 1787 Colv

REV: F-15 to VF-20 Miller No.: 26-AA #3

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: (R^3) (R^4) R6(?)

C '75 Lot No.: 124@$90. M. Plate No.: NONE

MINT: New Haven L, Die Cutter(s):

Company for, Coining Coppers

Diameter: 2.8 mm Thickness: .10(+ or -) mm

Weight: 9.45 Grams; 145.84 Grains

EX: Coins By Cassidy, Bay State Coin Show, Boston, Ma.

Lot No.: Grade VF Date Acq. 3-2-85

Ser. No. US 9854 Value: as of

urce of Value:

SOMEWHAT MOTTLED LIGHT TO MEDIUM BROWN COLORATION.

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Fairly well centered strike on a uniformly finely granular flan. A strong, sharp strike with all detail boldly outlined, particularly the legend, hair, wreath etc. Drapery is not quite as strong, however. LATE STATE, LONG BREAK IN DRAPERY.

REVERSE: Similar, although central detail is weaker. Legend, date, punctuation all quite strong.

Probably, is condition census for this varietywhich appears to be quite scarce in the higher grades. Of 10 ln G.C.P. Census, to date, only 2 grade F or better, while 8

are AF or below.

This is virtually a twin to the Taylor collection coin, L. 2457. This is an indication of the condition rarity of this die combination.

a much underrated Connecticut?

CONNECTICUT

Cow #3

GRADE: OBV: VG to XF-40 DATE: 1787

REV: VF-20 to XF-40 Miller No. 27-a[1]

TYPE/NICKNAME: DBL Rarity: (R^6)

EAC'75 L.No. 125 @$235. M.Pl.No.: III,# 42

MINT: Company For Coining Coppers, New Haven I

Die Cutter(s):

Diameter: 28.0 mm Thickness: 1.90 mm

Weight: 10.10 Grams; 155.87 Grains

EX: Jim McGuigan

Lot No.: Grade ef-40 Date Acq. 9-14-87

Ser. No. US43500 Value: as of

Source of Value:

DESCRIPTION

OBVERSE: Perfectly centered strike on alovely light reddish tan flan with no defects worth mentioning. Unevenly struck. C of AUCTORI lightly struck and TORI very light as is an area of the drapery above 5:00. However, other details are of XF-40 sharpness, including chest mail, CONNEC, fillet ends, lower right corner of toga, lower part of wreath. Others are at least of VF-20 to 30 sharpness.

REVERSE: Similar flan, coloration and centering. However, much more evenly struck. The only area of lightness is in first 1 of date and into first cross and I of INDE. However, remainder of design ranges from VF-20 to XF-40 in strength. Lovely! One of the most pleasing coins in collection

The reverse seems only slightly less shsrp than the Miller, Plate III coin, undoubtedly the finest knownto me. It would appear that the reverse die may have been reground. Compa GCP spec. No. 1 where the dashes before and after the crosses have all but disappeared. Also, the diagnostic semi-circular dot on the left side of the upright of the I of ET LIB, present on present specimen is missin on spec. No. I.

In spite of the weakness in CTORI, this is arguably the second finest known after the Miller plate coin. To me, the lovely color, flan and surfaces out weigh the fact that the '75 EAC specimen and GCP spec. No. 1 have a full AUCTORI.

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